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Subject: Whites Extension to Alcohol License

Dear Sirs

I would like to object to the application by Whites at 9 Otley Road, Headingley, to extend their alcohol licence to midnight.

This application is contrary to the Cumulative Impact Policy and the Headingley Renaissance document, a community driven and council adopted publication, that makes it very clear that the proliferation of alcohol sales and hot-food take aways is undermining the sustainability of our community by promoting the night-time economy at the expense of other amenities. Only in exceptional circumstances should permission be given to increase the total number, the size or the trading hours of Licensed premises.

This application runs counter to the objectives of the Headingley Renaissance Plan, the Cumulative Impact Policy and the four stated objectives of Licensing Policy:

With the growth of the night time economy (and quite specifically, the extension of alcohol trading hours) comes a rise in CRIME AND DISORDER, and an increase in anti-social behaviour and PUBLIC NUISANCE. Drunken and anti-social behaviour during the late night hours causes a risk to PUBLIC SAFETY, not only on the roads as drunks meet with vehicular traffic, but as drunks incite reactionary behaviour from outraged residents. The detritus of late night revelry is left all over our streets for our children to wade through on their way to school and the public high-street promotion of alcohol sales outside bars, supermarkets and convenience stores is promoting an activity which will cause HARM TO OUR CHILDREN.

I am also concerned that the Licensing Authority no-longer draws the attention of the resident community to Licence applications by causing the prominent display of notices. The notice for this application (like the previous application for a full on-licence) is hidden in a corner of the applicant's window, instead of being mounted prominently on a street lamp post.

I hope you will see fit to refuse this application.

Yours Faithfully

