

From:Maqsood, Cllr Kamila
Sent:28 May 2020 15:53:31 +0100
To:Entertainment Licensing
Subject:PREM/04543/001

Hi,

I am writing this as a Councillor representing Gipton & Harehills Ward to oppose the Zuber Off Licence application; Reference: PREM/04543/001 .

Harehills in particular has become a neighbourhood that has become saturated with shops selling alcohol, often around the clock.

To put this into context, along Harehills Lane and Harehills Road, approximately 70% of shops are selling alcohol.

These shops sit next to people's homes, schools as well as places of worship. Harehills is a densely populated neighbourhood; a place where what happens on the street has a huge impact on the local community.

We all know that statistically Harehills is situated in the country's top 5% of areas of deprivation. There were 1,710 crimes recorded in Harehills between 2016 /2017. Most offences where alcohol was associated, were recorded as violent crimes. But statistics don't tell the full story.

Numerous residents have talked to us as Ward Councillors about their experiences of drink related abuse and violence on their doorstep. This behaviour has led to damage to property, broken glass, urine and worse left on the pavements outside of people's homes.

Such is the scale of alcohol related issues in Harehills, a Cumulative Impact Policy was introduced by the council. The response from Harehills residents to the CIP consultation was both compelling and shocking.

Taking all this into account I would urge this Committee to refuse the license application from Zuber Office Licence on Seaforth Place.

This is not an attempt to stifle business in Harehills. It's just simply Harehills cannot stomach yet another shop selling alcohol. Enough is enough.

Thank you

Kamila Maqsood

Sent from my iPhone

From:Arif, Cllr Salma

Sent:23 Jun 2020 15:40:53 +0100

To:Khan, Nav; [REDACTED]

Subject:Application for an off licence at Zuber Store. Seaforth Place, Harehills. Reference: PREM/04543/001.

☐Dear Nav,

Please see below my objection.

When I was first elected in 2016 one concerns I consistently picked up was the sheer volume of off-licenses operating in the area. Harehills in particular has become a neighbourhood that has become saturated with shops selling alcohol, often around the clock.

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Numerous residents have talked to both me and my fellow councillors about their experiences of drink related abuse and violence on their doorstep. This behaviour has led to damage to property, broken glass, urine and worse left on the pavements outside of people's homes.

Such is the scale of alcohol related issues in Harehills, a Cumulative Impact Policy (CIP) was introduced by the council in early 2019. The

response from Harehills residents to the CIP consultation was both compelling and shocking but not surprising.

I have read the document submitted accompanying the application and whilst I appreciate the time and effort that has gone into this document I must as the voice of this area strongly object to another application wishing to sell alcohol.

As a deprived community we are trying on a daily basis to redress the current imbalance in an area where premises licensed to sell alcohol have reached saturation point to the detriment of it's people. Granting this application will be slap on the faces of everyone who has campaigned for the CIP wanting a safer future for themselves and their children.

I hope you will consider the concerns raised above and come to the decision that Harehills does not need another off license.

Warm wishes,

Councillor Salma Arif
Gipton and Harehills
Deputy Executive Children's & Families
Lead Member Child Friendly Leeds
Lead Member Early Years
Labour Group Secretary