

From [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri, 17 Feb 2023 14:09:58 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Fwd: New Off Licence application - your view

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Dear Licencing Team,

Regarding Application PREM/05035/001 / Objection to application

[REDACTED] was set up by local residents largely in response to anti-social behaviour and issues relating to the use of alcohol and drugs on and around Town Street. Many residents felt unsafe to visit Town Street shops, and local retail had directly suffered. Town Street changed from a thriving local high street, to a place widely known to be unsafe, unwelcoming and unviable for many retailers. Our volunteer-led improvements to Town Street since 2018 have made a positive difference, and we aim to build on them.

Actively supported by Leeds City Council's Communities Team, we have worked with local businesses and residents to restore people's civic pride in the area, and to reduce the ASB issues by:

- Having wellbeing ambassadors (a pilot scheme)
- Installing planters and working as a community to maintain them
- Running public events - Xmas Lights Switch-On / Spring Markets - to bring people of all ages back to Town Street!
- Development of a pop-up park opposite Town Street (Gelder Road) and live events on the site
- Developing Clean-Up work to keep Armley tidy

We would be devastated if this application was approved. It will set things back, and destroy thousands of community-volunteering hours that have been contributed in order to restore Town Street's fortunes.

Armley needs a mix of commercial and community provision on its high street, offering the supplies and services that people need to live happily and healthily. It does not need an Off Licence.

There is sufficient access to alcohol on Town Street already through shops and pubs. An Off-Licence will attract more anti-social behaviour and problem drinking to the area.

We strongly object to the application, and believe it would be detrimental to the health and wellbeing of Armley residents, and depress the retail trade on the high street.

Furthermore, it goes against the Leeds Best City Strategic Plan 2020-2025 - to tackle poverty, reduce inequality and 'most of all' 'for Leeds to be a safe city'.

Best wishes,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 19:27:24 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Quoting ref number PREM/05035/001

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quoting ref number PREM/05035/001

I am against more off-license in Armley,

We have plenty of problems with drunk people been flying tipping and aggressive toward other people.

I used to cross the moor to go home and enjoy the flowers, now it is mostly broken glass and beer cans in the benches, at night time town street, in particular, feel very unsafe.

I live in Armley, but I don't think a will allow my children to hang around the area.

I would like a better example of hardworking people caring about the little they have and trying to make it better with respect to the environment and the people.

People have more than enough places to by alcohol.

Please stop no more licenses even need to be considered

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 21:39:38 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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Good evening,

I would like to voice my objection to the above planning reference.

Armley Town Street already has an issue with street drinking, we have 24hr off licences already make it easy for the street drinkers to obtain alcohol. Opening another off licence when there are already numerous places to obtain alcohol would be detrimental to the local area, including an increase in crime, and would continue to make that area unsafe for local families that live in the area.

I would be very disappointed in Leeds city council if they approve this.

Kind regards
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 22:34:11 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/0001

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[REDACTED] I am writing to object to this alcohol license application. I was unable to do so on the web site as it does not recognise the reference number.

My objection is on a number of grounds.

There is already a significant issue with street drinking in the area, this results in many issues for residents, including but not limited to.

Antisocial behaviour, street violence, public urination, littering, damage to vehicles and property (people running over cars and throwing bottles), abusive language, excessive noise and disturbance.

Armley already has an incredibly high number of premises selling alcohol. Within ten minutes walk there are more than a dozen, adding more will only add to the already significant issues in the area. The number of premises also concentrates issues due to alcohol in the Town Street corridor and surrounding residential streets to the detriment of residents.

[REDACTED]

From [REDACTED]
Sent: Tue, 28 Feb 2023 20:48:23 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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In regards to PREM/05035/001

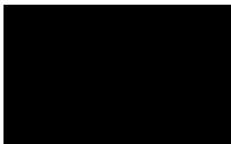
I do have concerns about alcohol and anti social behaviour in Armley.

Alcohol issues in Armley have been a problem for years and this needs to be looked at.

What evidence is there that one more application would increase the problem.

The problem of anti social behaviour needs to be looked at from all angles by the council.

Town street needs to have a better variety of shops offering different shopping experience. The council needs to be looking at how they can improve Town street.



From [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 06:31:45 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001 objection

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This is an email to express my objection and concern over the opening of another off licence (ref PREM/05035/001) selling alcohol on town street between hours of 7-11pm.

Town street is already a haven for crime and anti- social behaviour. This will only fuel the Situation and increases public nuisance long term.

Public safety is also another concern of mine. A few months ago a major incident occurred on town street with someone being stabbed. Adding another alcohol establishment is likely to increase the likelihood of these events happening.

Having just relocated back to Armley I would like to see there be more efforts to tackle some of the main issues- homelessness, crime, alcohol / substance abuse and make Armley a thriving place to live again. There needs to be more effort to bring different types of business into Armley and I feel another off licence with extended opening hours is not the solution to this.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sat, 25 Feb 2023 17:20:38 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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Good evening,

I'm writing to advise against the application for a new off-licence at 6-8 Town Street, Armley, LS12 3AB.

I share the concerns of fellow local residents and our Labour councillors who fear for the current drinking problems and anti-social behaviour problems in the Armley area — especially on Town Street.

I strongly believe that more off-licences will exacerbate the current problem.

Best,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 10:55:05 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Ref- PREM/05035/001

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OFFICIAL

Please accept this email as my objection to yet another licence been granted to sell alcohol on Armley town street, is already way too many shops selling his, in this area. It just adds to the anti-social behaviour which is already terrible in this area due to drink. There are too many people sat around on Armley town drinking at all times of the day, and yet another shop will just increase this issue.

We were assured by our councillor that no more licences would be granted for this area.

regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 21:13:50 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001 - Application objection

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Dear Leeds Council,

I am writing to object to the alcohol licensing application for the premises 6-8 Town Street, Armley.

Armley sees an average of 700 crimes a month according to UK Crime Statistics with around half of these being violent. Increasing alcohol consumption would make this worse.

Local residents, including myself, tend to avoid Town Street unless it's for essential shopping. There are often drunk people loitering, and there has been a recent increase in violent crime, including a recent life threatening stabbing.

We need to clean the town up. This could be a fantastic place to live if we dealt with the disorder. I personally don't have children, but I wouldn't want to raise one here if I did decide to have kids. I would much rather move elsewhere.

There are already venues providing alcohol until late. 3 pubs, Bargain Booze, Polish Supermarkets to name a few. I don't see any reason to increase competition with alcohol sales. It's already cheap enough and in high supply. If anything we should be looking at what else we can use our high street for.

I've been heckled outside the pubs in Armley, including homophobic abuse from drunk people. I don't get that kind of treatment from sober heads.

Not only that, but Armley is deprived. A large amount of people living here are from lower income socioeconomic backgrounds. We know that people from those backgrounds are more susceptible to experiencing addiction, mental health problems and receiving or being abusive. Why would we look to add fuel to those problems within our community.

I hope my message conveys the strength of feeling I have towards this issue. I strongly object.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, 13 Feb 2023 16:04:47 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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Good afternoon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] We are well aware of the social issues, violence and ASB that street drinking causes, as well as theft from the premises we manage. Armley is already well provided for by other off-licences and so we do not see the need for this application to be granted. The Council's own Cumulative Impact Report noted that The situation in the areas currently designated as cumulative impact areas is severe. Harehills and Armley suffer with anti-social behaviour and disorder associated with street drinking, and this has continued throughout the last three years, and has been especially concerning during the three coronavirus lockdowns.

Reference	Premises Name And Address	Application Type	Description of Application	Last date for representations
PREM/05035/001	Off Licence, 6 - 8 Town Street, Armley, Leeds, LS12 3AB,	New application	This is an application for a new premises licence trading as an off licence. The applicant has applied for the following:	27/02/2023

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 11:45:12 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001 - Off License Objection

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Good morning

I am writing with regard to the above referenced license application and object to this every way possible.

We are already having Public Order issues/increase in crime and violence in this area and it is a matter of public safety.

There are already a number of establishments that sell alcohol and a few that sell 24 hours in this area already and indeed the local 24 hour garages too.

We do not need or want any more off licenses opening up in Armley and would hope that you would please consider the consequences of an already rapidly deteriorating area which is becoming worse by the day.

People used to visit Armley Town Street on a regular basis but now the shops are all booze/gambling/supermarkets and not much else which doesn't help this situation at all and has allowed a certain drug/drug/crime culture to increase in this area.

I already no longer feel safe where I live and this would further compound that fear.

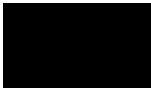
Yours sincerely


[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 20:19:25 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Cc: Smart, Cllr Alice
Subject: PREM/05035/001 Objection

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Hello there,
Absolute objection to another off licence on and around armley town street.
Please treat the community of Armley with a deserved respect. We all fed up with crime, antisocial behaviour and general poverty. If there's no fund to improve life in Armley, make at least sure not to make it worse and protect our kids from harm.
Best regards
[REDACTED]



From 
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 08:46:58 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Cc: Smart, Cllr Alice
Subject: Objection to licence application reference number PREM/05035/001

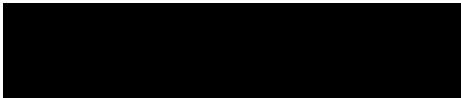
reference number PREM/05035/001

Please reject this application. We do not need another off-license on the corner of Armley Town Street and Branch Road. There are enough problems with alcohol on town street already.

The application is to serve alcohol between the hours of 7am and 11pm Mon to Sat and 10am to 11pm on Sundays.

We need Town street to be a safe place where we can take children without worries about our safety and bad behaviour with drunks as a common public nuisance. Daytime drinkers have in recent months regularly harassed a shop I use at 54 Town street (now dealt with by the police with the help of councillors). Traders need to be able to trade without these worries. Shoppers need to be able to walk in peace.

Please, please reject this license application for the good of the community.



From:planning.comments@leeds.gov.uk
Sent:Thu, 2 Feb 2023 16:05:13 +0000
To:Deighton, Charlotte
Subject:Comments for Licensing Application PREM/05035/001

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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 02/02/2023 4:05 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	6 - 8 Town Street Armley Leeds LS12 3AB
Proposal:	Premises Licence - New Application
Case Officer:	Miss Charlotte Deighton

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbourhood Forum
Stance:	Customer objects to the Licensing Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	02/02/2023 4:05 PM Application for an off-licence at 6-8 Town Street.

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object to the application for an off-licence at 6-8 Town Street, Armley, Leeds, LS12 3AB. PREM/05035/001

There is currently a legally enforceable Cumulative Impact Policy, within the Armley Town Street area, along with a Public Space Protection Order. West Yorkshire Police

and Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team are also undertaking a series of projects to combat crime and fear of crime within this area. To grant another alcohol licence would severely impact all the work that is already being done to reduce the level of street drinking and anti-social behaviour seen in and around Armley Town Street.

From a health perspective, there is a great deal of work being done to help people in Armley with alcohol dependency and drugs, together with another issue of shoplifting which in turn is feeding these habits. Selling alcohol is NOT constructive action and sends the wrong message out to our community.

There is widespread community reporting that visitors, residents, young parents and the elderly do not always feel safe visiting Armley Town Street and the perceptions of anti social behaviour (shoplifting, aggressions, violence) associated with drug and alcohol use are widely discussed at Forums at Stocks Hill and well documented.

Your faithfully

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the sender.

Kind regards

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, 27 Feb 2023 09:13:16 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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Whom concerns

We strongly against to this new off-licence to be extending
So many reasons for this the anti social
Behaviour Armley Town Street it is not save already now with this extension of hour or young children
will be exposing to abuse when they walking to school the elderly people no feel safe, people will be
drinking on the streets at 7am will be very difficult to walking o day or night that will made the streets a lot
unsafe for everyone one
Regards
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 23:16:32 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Ref: PREM/05035/001

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To whome it may concern,

I would like to object in regards to the alcohol licence request thst has been submitted with the above reference number.

I object because of a number of reason listed below.

1. There is already a number of places that sell alcohol on Armley town street already.
2. Allowing more alcohol to be sold, i believe would increase public nuisance within the area.
3. There is also concern because of the number of youths been able to gain access to the alcohol. Raising concerns for public safety and the protection of the vulnerable and young.
4. Increase in alcohol access will incread public disorders and crime in the area.

Please take all of these points into account when reviewing this claim

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Sent from my Galaxy

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 21:28:02 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to express my concern about the application to serve alcohol in relation to the above reference number.

As a local resident and home owner I'm very aware of the negative impact high levels of alcohol consumption are having on the town of Armley. I'm concerned about the impact of another premises selling alcohol will have in relation to public nuisance and the prevention of crime. Walking late at night down Armley town street already doesn't feel safe for a woman and increasing the easy access to more alcohol will not help this matter.

I hope you consider the above points and reject this application to help make Armley a safer place for it's residents and visitors

Kind regards
[REDACTED]

Sent from [Outlook for Android](#)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, 13 Feb 2023 23:18:57 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: New off licence application

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We [REDACTED] strongly oppose the application. Another outlet which sells alcohol is simply not required and I believe it would just add to the negative reputation this area has and which we, as an established retailer who attracts clientele from all over Leeds, are trying so hard to change in such challenging times for the British high street.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 12:42:44 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Ref PREM/05035/001

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Please don't give permission for another off licence with extended hours on Armley Town Street.

It's an absolute sh*thole on Town Street as it is, we don't need more anti social behaviour as a result of lax licensing.

I've lived here in Armley 15 years and I won't venture into Town Street unless to use the post office.

It's an utter dump, you've encouraged the absolute dregs to hang around and consume alcohol, if I could afford to move, I would.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 21:52:05 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Alcohol licence application PREM/05035/001

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Good evening

I'm aware of an application for an alcohol licence for a shop in Town Street, Armley and I'm writing to object to this. Armley has a significant problem with alcoholism and there are already too many shops on and in the vicinity of Town Street which sell alcohol.

I have significant concerns about public safety, crime potential harm to children as a result of this problem an granting further licences would exacerbate those concerns. At the very least there is a significant public nuisance and issues with caused by people drinking in public around the area.

I hope my concerns are taken into account when considering this application.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 1 Feb 2023 22:20:44 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/05035/001

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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to voice my concerns about an application for an off-licence to be able to serve alcohol from 7am on Armley Town Street.

In principle I believe people should be able to drink alcohol as and when they like, however due to current anti-social behaviour caused by alcohol in the area I believe enabling alcohol to be served that early in the day would be a huge mistake.

There is no real reason why alcohol should be served from 7am and the only people who would be purchasing alcohol at that time of day would be alcoholics.

Most pubs don't serve alcohol until 11am, why shouldn't that be the case here?

Yours Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 17:42:51 +0000
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: reference number PREM/05035/001

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To whom it may concern,

As a resident of Armley, and one who walks town street alone often, I object to the request for a licence.

It is totally unnecessary and we already have far too many booze shops in this busy street, that is the heart of the community.

I object for a number of reasons including the prevention of crime, public nuisance, public safety and protection of children from harm.

Sincerely,

A very concerned resident.

[REDACTED]

I am writing on behalf of the to object to the following application

PREM/05035/001

There is currently a legally enforceable Cumulative Impact Policy, within the Armley Town street area, along with a Public Space Protection Order and the West Yorkshire Police and Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour team are undertaking a series of projects to combat crime and fear of crime within this area. To grant an extension to the alcohol license would impact the work that is already being done to reduce the levels of street drinking and associated antisocial behaviours seen in and around Armley Town Street.

From a public health perspective there is a lot of multiagency work being done to help people with alcohol dependency issues – I work as a nurse within the Forward Leeds team , and am myself almost 6 years sober, so have first hand experience in this area.

The Armley community feel aggrieved that so many alcohol licenses have been granted over the past 15 years, feeling that this has restricted the variety of shops available to them on Armley Town street.

report a high volume of discarded cans and bottles around Armley Town Street- with smashed and broken glass being a further hazard for people and pets.

I will continue to work with our police teams and council teams on all aspects of community safety and in doing so strongly object to the granting of another or extensions to an alcohol licence on Armley Town Street.

Councillor Lou Cunningham

From:McKenna, Cllr James
Sent:Thu, 2 Feb 2023 10:06:57 +0000
To:Deighton, Charlotte
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject:Re: Objection to PREM/05035/001

Dear Charlotte,
Like Cllr Smart , I strongly object to this application to sell alcohol from these premises. I agree with everything Cllr. Smart says and would reinforce her comments that unrestricted alcoholic sales for 16 hours a day would encourage the wrong type of patronage that would increase late night ASB in our community. This application to sell alcohol must be rejected as it is contrary to existing policies and there are currently far too many commercial outlets already selling alcohol which effects residents' ability to safely enjoy their night-time and daytime environment .

Kind Regards
Jim
Armley Councillor and Armley Resident.

[REDACTED]

Subject: Objection to PREM/05035/001

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From a public health perspective, there is a great deal of multiagency work being done to help people in Armley with alcohol dependency issues □ having more establishments selling alcohol for 16 hours a day is not a constructive action and sends out the wrong message for our community.

There is widespread community reporting that people do not always feel safe visiting Armley Town Street and the perceptions of anti-social behaviour associated with drug and alcohol use are widely documented.

As local representatives, we want to encourage our communities to use Armley Town Street and support our local businesses. We will continue to work with our police teams and council teams on all aspects of community safety and in doing so strongly object to the granting of another alcohol licence within the vicinity of Armley Town Street.

Cllr Alice Smart

Cllr Jim McKenna

Rachel Reeves MP

Andy Parnham (Labour candidate for Armley)

From:Smart, Cllr Alice

Sent:Thu, 2 Feb 2023 09:03:46 +0000

To:Deighton, Charlotte

Subject:Objection to PREM/05035/001

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