From:Goodall, Cllr Tim Sent:Mon, 3 Feb 2025 15:31:14 +0000 To:Entertainment Licensing Subject:Objection to licence application PREM/05471/001 Attachments:4 Otley Road Licensing Objection.docx
Good afternoon,
Please find attached my objection to the licence application for PREM/05471/001 for 4 Otley Road.
Best wishes,
Tim
Cllr Tim Goodall
Headingley & Hyde Park Ward
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## I would like to object to Licence application PREM/05471/001 for 4 Otley Road, LS6 2AD

## **Cumulative Impact Policy**

This area is covered by the Cumulative Impact Policy. The purpose of this is to prevent an increase in the number, size, and hours of operation, of Licenced Premises in the area. It is for the applicant to demonstrate that their application would not add to the cumulative impact.

The proposed hours of off-licence sales will add an additional alcohol supply to the often-unruly crowds that gather in Headingley for the Otley Run pub-crawl. Also, we already have several supermarkets and shops selling alcohol within a short distance of this proposed site.

As a Headingley and Hyde Park councillor, I believe that the addition of an extra licensed premises on the Otley Run pub crawl will exacerbate the problems that we are already experiencing from the Otley Run all the way along the Otley Road. Unfortunately, the Otley Run is no longer limited to the weekends (although it is particularly busy on Saturdays, with 2000 Otley Runners counted in just three hours on a recent weekend).

The 4 objectives of Licensing Policy cannot be upheld if this Licence is granted:

• **Public Safety:** There are many risks to public safety to those taking part in the Otley Run, including fights, being too drunk to be aware of traffic (e.g. walking out into traffic without looking) and effects of large quantities of alcohol, for example, alcohol poisoning.

It is well documented in public health literature, that young women (in particular) do what is termed 'loading' - that is drinking large amounts of off -sales cheap spirits and wine prior to going out pub or club drinking where they then sip at cheap non-alcoholic drinks. This not only results in anti-social behaviour, but issues around road safety and for young women in particular, safeguarding concerns.

I'm regularly contacted by residents who have been threatened, verbally abused and physically attacked by people participating in the Otley Run.

- **Public Nuisance:** As listed in previous objections, residents are subject to many forms of public nuisance including noise, public urination, public defecation, vomit and litter, including huge amounts of broken glass. Local shops and cafes also have to deal with intimidation and harassment of their customers.
- **Crime & Disorder:** The council has assessed crime statistics around Headingley and has determined that there is an area that is suffering from the cumulative impact of licensed premises and consequently this is leading to problems which are undermining the licensing objectives, particularly around North Lane and Otley Road.
- Protection of Children from Harm: Parents with young children avoid the Headingley area when the Otley Run is happening because they don't want children to witness the associated behaviour, which has included inappropriate clothing and full nudity as well as racist, sexist and homophobic abuse. Parents are also concerned about putting their young children in danger when Otley Run participants refuse to make room on the pavement, meaning that parents have to go into the road with pushchairs to get past the Otley Runners. Teenage children in the area, who should be at the age where they are happy to go out by themselves, will not go out because of their fear of the behaviour of Otley Runners.

From:Pryor, Cllr Jonathan **Sent:**Thu, 6 Feb 2025 16:46:15 +0000 **To:**Entertainment Licensing **Subject:**PREM/05471/001 Please find below a representation from Cllr Hannan & myself for PREM/05471/001 □ I□ve attempted to submit this through the portal but it keeps coming back with an error. Please can you acknowledge receipt? Best wishes Cllr Pryor **Councillor Jonathan Pryor Deputy Leader, Leeds City Council Executive Member for Economy, Transport & Sustainable Development** Headingley & Hyde Park ward

This is an application where we have some mixed views, and we believe it either needs to be rejected or have significant restrictions placed on the venue.

We recognise that the building has been empty for over eight years, and that we do not want to see empty units in our town  $\Box$  however, just outside this proposed Morrisons is where large queues of revellers on the Otley Run form, waiting to get into the Original Oak.

These queues often block the pavement, forcing residents to walk into the road in an unsafe manner.

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Additionally, people also wait in these queues for a long time, and providing an off-licence directly next to those on the Otley Run we believe would likely cause street drinking, in violation of the Public Space Protection Order and add to the cumulative effect of anti-social behaviour on the Otley Run.

Within the Cumulative Impact Area, the duty falls upon the applicant to demonstrate that they would not add to the cumulative problems in the area. We believe that the applicant has attempted to do this through offering restricted hours for the sale of alcohol at peak times during the Otley Run  $\Box$  but we believe that this would not go far enough as the Otley Run takes place all through the week, particularly in the warmer months.

While this application is not ideal, if the panel is minded to grant a license we would ask that additional restrictions are placed to prevent the escalation of anti-social behaviour coming from the Otley Run  $\square$  such as; a ban on the sale of alcohol to those in fancy dress and regular cleaning of the space around the store.

It would be essential for the store to predominantly be a grocers, with only a small element of alcohol sales.

Additionally, we would require acknowledgement that this application is within a Conservation Area, so signage for any premises would need to be sympathetic to the building and surrounding area, and given the street outside is regularly blocked from large queues there should be no street furniture outside associated with the shop.

Finally, this application is on a busy and regularly congested road, meaning that deliveries to the store would need to be on Shire Oak Road, a residential street. Given the amount of anti-

social behaviour the residents of Shire Oak Road suffer, this should not be compounded further with deliveries at unsociable hours. It would be essential for limits to be placed on the hours at which deliveries can be made, with nothing early in the morning or into the evening.

Additionally this location would be wholly unsuitable for a delivery service from the shop, and we would want this written into licensing conditions also.

Cllrs Abdul Hannan & Jonathan Pryor

**From** 

**Sent:**Thu, 6 Feb 2025 11:02:57 +0000

To: Entertainment Licensing

**Subject:**PREM/05453/001 by The Indian Village Roads Ltd (Morrisons Daily Franchisee / Director Mr Vijay Kommaraju) for a New Premises Licence for Off-sales at 4 Otley Road Headingley Leeds LS6 2AD

## Morrisons, Otley Road, Headingley

As the Member of Parliament for Leeds Central & Headingley I do not directly object to the proposed Morrisons store on Otley Road, Headingley. However, I have concerns regarding its potential impact on the local area, particularly given that this location falls within a Cumulative Impact Policy zone.

The proposed shop □s location raises concerns that individuals participating in the Otley Run may use the store to purchase alcohol while queuing for nearby pubs or continuing their walk into town. This could contribute to increased anti-social behaviour, littering, and other disturbances, exacerbating existing issues faced by local residents. Should an alcohol licence be granted, I request that the following conditions be applied:

- 1. No sales of alcohol to individuals in fancy dress ☐ This measure would discourage those on the Otley Run from using the shop as a stop-off point for further alcohol consumption.
- 2. **A regular cleaning schedule** □ The store must take responsibility for maintaining cleanliness in the immediate vicinity, ensuring litter and waste are managed effectively.
- 3. **Restricted alcohol sales on Saturdays between 12:00 and 15:00** □ This would help mitigate the likelihood of the shop being used as an additional alcohol source during the peak hours of the Otley Run.

Best Wishes Alex Sobel MP



Office Manager

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