

High Street, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

I object to the proposal of this off-licence/bar on the grounds of the conditions of the surrounding community and the residential buildings above. This building has zero soundproofing and cannot stop smells penetrating the floors above. There are literal holes in the ceiling from the instillation of a security door at the front of the shop.

Living [redacted], my [redacted] wife was crying this week when the smells of the cigarette smoking workers, renovating the shop, wafted into our house causing her to vomit.

This is a residential area for multiple families. [redacted] high street comprises of myself, my [redacted] wife and my [redacted] old. In flat [redacted] is a family of [redacted]. The hours proposed do not allow for a family to live. 7:00 am until 11:00 pm is farcical. After clearing up and opening this gives a window of about 6 hours rest, dictated by a business.

We already have a ridiculously high crime rate, mainly due to alcohol and substance abuse. I have had my windows smashed, we have found needles and people defecating and urinating in our alleyway. What does this business offer to the local community? It is literally next door to the family shopper that sells alcohol.

These businesses do not do enough for the local community. It is the residents who have to replace the council bin lids when they have been removed. Call the police when fights break out, take the homeless food, clean up the shit and vomit from the alleyway, call people taxis who have passed out on our doorways, and ask people not to fly-tip outside of Sue Ryder (opposite).

This is a shop with people living above. Opening times should reflect this.

Thanks for your time.

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I disagree with a new off-license shop open downstairs. The reasons are as below:

1. The local safety. There is an alleyway between this shop and the next-door Bar & Wok restaurant. In the past few years, me and our neighbours all suffered from the crimes and annoyances with this alleyway. The people have sat in the alleyway smoking weed and stayed outside of our flats on the roof to take drugs. We have a [redacted] daughter, and our neighbours also have children. But we found the left syringe and needles outside of our house three times! If a new off-license shop opens at this location, there will be a perfect free club for drunk and homeless people here.

Last year in May, a drunk guy went upstairs and broke our window with his fist at midnight. Police found him in the end. But it's so scary. There is an off-license shop named Family Market. We always can see some teenage kids hanging out of the

shop. They climbed on our roof and destroyed our plants and chairs. Our bike just left downstairs for half an hour at lunchtime, and it was stolen straight away.

I can't imagine what it would be like if there were an additional off-license shop downstairs.

2. This building 284 High Street is very old. There is a big gap between the all-through external wall and the floorboard. And the sound insulation of the floorboard is very poor. Therefore, any noise downstairs will go through the gap very easily. If there is a 7 am - 11 pm shop underneath, we can't live with the constant noise. I and my husband are very light sleepers and my daughter goes to bed at 8 pm. I feel anxious with the coming long open hours shop.

I really hope the council can consider our and our neighbour's living conditions and health situation. I don't think a 7 am to 11 pm off-license shop is a good idea.

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I want to object to the conversion of the shop into a late night shop selling alcohol. We have a lot of social problems here and we think that by having more places selling alcohol will cause us more problems with anti-social behaviour.