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Licensing Section, Gravesham Borough Council,
Civic Centre, Windmill Street,
Gravesend,
Kent
DA12 1AU

Thursday 3rd September 2020

Re: Proposed new convenience store 69 Stonebridge Road, Northfleet Kent DA11 9DT

This is an objection in reference to the new application by Thurkatharan Murugaiyah to provide sales by retail of alcohol via a convenience store

I would like to raise the following concerns by way of formal objection.

1. Concentration of Licensed Outlets.

There are 3 premises within 5 yards of the new proposed convenience store of which two are selling alcohol on the high street and the other one located within the Ebbsfleet football clubs

List of premises within 5 yards

- **Shell Northfleet Petrol Station** Eagle Way, Stonebridge Road, Northfleet, Gravesend, DA11 9BJ
- **Best Food & Wine Gravesend** Northfleet priory Garage Stonebridge Road, Eagle Way, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 9BJ
- **Ebbsfleet football clubs (Kuflink Stadium)** inside the ground, the Fleet Lounge Club Bar also sells alcohol and is quite popular with both home and away

Further up the high street, approximately 0.3 miles from proposed new convenience store. There is another convenience store with an alcohol licence

- **Bheen Food & Wine Ltd 171 High Street, Northfleet, Gravesend, DA11 9HG**

Also, in the proximity area are two pubs with alcohol licences

- **The Rose Pub -1 Rose St, Northfleet, Gravesend DA11 9EQ** approximately 0.5 miles from proposed convenience store
- **The Edinburgh Castle- 6 High St, Northfleet, Gravesend DA11 9HY** approximately 0.6 miles from proposed convenience store

Approximately 0.5 miles away, In the area, there is also a restaurant/ takeaway called:

Hot Diner Rod- 79-84 High Street, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent DA11 9HJ

2. Crime and Disorder

An additional premise selling will draw unwelcome attention and increased footfall at unsociable hours to a residential and conservation area. Noise, public nuisance, anti-social behaviour, low-level nuisance (non reportable crime inc. shouting, swearing, urination in public, littering) will be increased. Northfleet has also had its share of recent incidents of regular gatherings of youths drinking alcohol and causing disturbances.

3. Public Nuisance

An additional premise operating an alcohol licence permit in a quiet, residential, area will unnecessarily draw people from a wider area at unsociable hours. Signage will be visible from a distance down the High Street also more access to alcohol from football fans leaving the nearby football stadium. Noise, light pollution, traffic and traffic noise will all have a negative impact.

Thank you for taking the time to seriously consider these objections.

Yours Sincerely,