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Asda Express Licence Application Owen Road, Lancaster

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Convenience Express 12 Aldrens Lane Skerton Lancaster LA12DU

Premises Licence Number: LAPLWA0026

Dear Sir, As the proprietor of Convenience Express I have major concerns regarding the Licence Application of Asda Express Owen Road Lancaster.

I feel the area is adequately served by ourselves during the sociable hours of 10am to 9pm.

As an Independent trading has been difficult in recent years and any "loss of trade" due to increased competition would only add to the challenge, having served the area for over thirty plus years I feel we are an integral part of the community and it would be a major loss if we had to "Call it a day".

During the last thirty years of my proprietorship I have seen a fantastic reduction in Anti-social behaviour; for many years now Anti-social behaviour has been relatively non existent. My major fear now is, if granted, the proposed increase in accessibility to alcohol will inevitably bring with it alcohol-fuelled Anti-social behaviour and start to undo all the good work done by the Police, ourselves and the local residents.

Regards

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Dear Sirs, I very strongly object to the licensable activities proposed by ASDA Express on Owen Rd.

It is such a bad idea:

The site lies between two socially deprived areas, Rylands and Skerton. As you know, we already have a significant drug problem. Encouraging people to spend money on alcohol in an area of recognised economic poverty is clearly ill advised. It is both morally and strategically illogical. It is easy to argue that it is also irresponsible. It will inevitably take vital resources away from families who are already struggling. Furthermore, we know that people who might use the facility will cause noise and disruption to households in the vicinity.

This is not a guess, we have previous experience with what is now the Premier Convenience Express on Aldrens lane. My sleep and my children's sleep was disturbed on a regular basis by people who were drunk, shouting, slamming car doors and occasionally smashing bottles and fighting. We were also disturbed by normal well behaved people who were simply talking, closing car doors and starting their cars. If this facility were not in a built up area where working people are trying to sleep then I would not object so strongly. If the application is successful then I must consider moving house.

Yours Faithfully,

From:

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Asda Express PFS Rylands, Lancaster.

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We wish to object to the granting of a license for the sale by retail of alcohol on Mondays to Sundays between the hours of 00:00 to 24:00 at Asda Express PFS, Rylands, Owen Road, Lancaster, LA1 2LL.

As the nearest neighbours of the premises we are concerned that the granting of such a license will increase the potential for anti-social, noisy behaviour in the area. We already tolerate being subjected to tedious, loud 'conversations' conducted under our bedroom window late at night by revelers who choose to sit on our wall whilst consuming snacks and non-alcoholic drinks purchased at Rylands Service Station and can only imagine how instances of this will increase both in regularity and in volume if alcohol is added to the mix.

Litter is another problem. The people who choose to use our wall as a temporary seating area are incapable of taking their food wrappers, drinks cans (often half full) and other detritus across to the numerous bins provided by Euro Garages. Presumably, those who choose to buy alcoholic drinks will increase this problem because in our experience some people who are under the influence of alcohol are inclined to smash the glass containers of their beverages on the ground leaving hazardous walking conditions for the shoe-less, witness the cycle track, canal bank and pavements. No doubt one of our first tasks after this license is granted will be to check for and clear up broken glass before taking our dog out.

Is it really a good idea to sell alcohol on premises where most customers are there for the main purpose of fueling their vehicles and hence driving? Yes, we realise most customers drive to supermarkets.

We think we are reasonable people. We actively supported the application by Euro Garages for 24 hour opening some years ago and they are good neighbours. Spar must have managed to make a profit without selling alcohol. Why not Asda?

From:

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Rylands Garage Owen Road LANCASTER application for a 24 hour alcohol licence

and snacks 11pm to 5 am

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Hello

OBJECTION

We are very concerned about the above licensing application for Rylands Garage 24 hour alcohol license, and the haste and short notice of the change.

The original licence with the Spar shop was for 24 hour opening but no alcohol. On no account should this be changed.

Since the takeover of the site by Asda, the shop has totally deteriorated and now we know why they have grossly cut back on the range of normal everyday items. This leaves very little for pensioners like us.

We presume the 'snacks' are going to be an extension of hours for Subway and Greggs (or worse) which will give more smell pollution and a greater litter problem.

The sale of alcohol over 24 hours can only be aimed at the passing trade of people coming home from night clubs where they have already had to much to drink.

The shop at Aldrens Lane has to close at 9pm because of all the trouble they had when they stayed open till 11pm. This will be much worse and I would not trust them to stop sales any earlier in the day. The police have enough to do without having to check up on the garage.

Ideally it should only have petrol sales on 24 hours and convert to pay at pump.

The litter problem is bad enough now as drinks and wrappers are discarded anywhere along the street as they finish consuming their purchases. They also park up to eat and then just throw away the rubbish from their cars onto the pavement or into gardens.

The noise from rowdy people who cut through Ashton Drive in the middle of the night will be worse and disturbing our sleep and making us feel unsafe.

Safety for all residents, especially the elderly, will be a huge problem with more burglaries, vandalism and other antisocial behaviour. We will not be safe to go out in the evening.

The drug dealers will be back parking their cars on the road, eager to supply customers straight from the garage shop .

WE OBJECT IN THE STRONGEST TERMS TO THIS PROPOSED VERY WORRYING DEVELOPMENT

Yours worried residents

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