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**Subject:** RE: Premises Licence Application for 51 Fulham Broadway London SW6 1AE - Objection

Dear colleagues

I have been contacted by residents about this licencing application. Reading through the application and history I am concerned about this Application

The decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee 12 January 2022 refused an application for a licence to sell alcohol. This followed two revocations and Magistrates dismissing an appeal by the Applicant.

Paragraph 15 notes – *“there were concerns that even though this new Application was submitted by a different individual, the Applicant is a very close relative to the previous owners. The Licensing Authority was of the opinion that these individuals would still be involved with the Premises in the future, as there is no clear break from the previous management of the Premises”*.

I note that this is the same Applicant (as referred to above) and I therefore remain concerned that they will permit the named individuals sited in Section 18 of 21 Licensing Objectives, to continue to be involved in the Premises.

Paragraph 19 of the Sub-Committee record notes *“The Committee noted the concerns of the objectors that the Premises is located close to various secondary schools and that in the past has sold alcohol to children. According to the objectors the Premises is known as a shop that does not ask for ID when underage persons attempt to purchase alcohol.”*

Residents have raised concerns that the Premises/Applicant has been caught selling to underage children and residents have reported that they sell single cigarettes to children. Parents are rightly very concerned.

Local residents have suggested to the Applicant/his agent that they only take card payments, no cash, to reduce the risk of children buying alcohol. I am advised that the Applicant responded that only allowing card payments would be ‘ageist’. The response is very disappointing. I am aware that other small shops are starting to only take card payments for alcohol to increase transparency.

I am unclear how the Applicant plans to ensure a zero tolerance policy to selling anything illegally, especially to children. On that basis I am raising an objection to this application. I am raising my objection under The Prevention of Children from Harm

Kind Regards

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