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Customer Service Centre
85 New Square
Chesterfield
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23/03/2022

Planning Application Description: Notice of application for a premises licence.
Address: Station Lane Store, 66C Station Lane, Chesterfield
Name of applicant: JAS Oil LTD

Dear Sir / Madam

I write to object to the above planning application for the following reasons:

1. Parking – The proposed application does not take in to account the amount of packing or lack of. We constantly see a huge amount of traffic park on the double yellow lines outside the current store 2 shops down. There is not a fit for purpose public car park to meet the demand of two shops. The current parking spaces (x3) will soon be occupied by the tenants in the flats above Nisa Store Local. They applied for planning permission to change these into tenant only. Therefore, there will be no designated parking.
2. Traffic – as with above, the road is a main bus route. Currently with parking being an issue buses are forced to manoeuvre around parked vehicles which as resulted in several accidents and traffic collisions.
3. antisocial behaviour – we have a serious issue with anti-social behaviour and alcohol consumption in Old Whittington. When Nisa Stores changed their opening times and shut the store at 8am we saw a dramatic decline in young people hanging around outside and adults under the influence. I believe offering a licence to sell alcohol until 11pm will create a demand in people drinking more and using the store as somewhere to gather.
4. Community shop – we already have a well-loved community store 2 shops down from this application which sells everything that as a community we need. I believe it would be unfair to cause them further hardship and loss of sales during a difficult time with gas rises etc. The shop has been around a long time and helps the community by fundraising and offering work experience. They have done so much for the community and don't deserve this.

We were initially advised the vacant store we be turned in to a takeaway restaurant, this is something we would have happily agreed to. The store has been emptying for some time and something like this would not create as much footfall/parking as a shop that sells alcohol.

I therefore consider that the proposal to be refused.

Yours faithfully

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