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**Subject:** Sainsburys former Car Park Church Hill Alcohol lience

To K. Tuckey

Your Ref: Sainsbury's, Former Car Park, Church Hill, Loughton

We would like to state our objection to the proposed sale of alcohol, off the premises, between the hours of 7am – 11pm, Monday to Sunday.

The reasons for our objections are as follows:

- The Prevention of crime and disorder, and
- The Prevention of public nuisance.

Many of the local residents are either elderly or families with young children. We wouldn't want any harm to come to them as a result of the drunken anti-social behaviour of people buying alcohol cheaply from the supermarket, especially younger people.

If you grant this license to Sainsbury's, this just presents another opportunity for people to get hold of alcohol and drink excessively, when as a society, all should be done to encourage people to drink responsibly.

This will also add to the pressures of the local police, who are struggling to contain the anti-social behaviour in the town, especially on Friday and Saturday nights.

There is also a risk to people driving up to the store late at night just to buy alcohol, which could potentially lead to an increase in drink driving offences in the town.

Furthermore, why is there the need to grant a license when there are 4 businesses that are already licensed to sell alcohol within the vicinity, and in addition the new Co-op store that is due to open in the near future? This is just adding to the competition, and will further cause strain on their respective businesses, all of whom have been trading for at least the past 20 years.

All in all, we feel that if you are to grant a license to Sainsbury's for the sale of alcohol, it will have a detrimental effect on the local community. Loughton is a great town to live in, and shouldn't be ruined by excessive amounts of 'big' businesses, like Sainsbury's, taking away the identity and personality that the smaller, local businesses offer by plotting themselves in as many locations (even within the same town) as possible. We are not averse to new businesses, only just that the offer should be incremental, not further diluting what is already there, and impacting on all those around them.

We hope you will take the time to consider our response objectively, and decide in favour of what is beneficial for the local community.

Kind regards

Mr and Mrs Mistry.