



Euro Supermarket

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I am writing to register my objection to the application for a premises licence by **Baltika Supermarket , 33-34 High Street, Banbury OX16 5ER**. The basis for this opposition is that granting a licence for these premises will not promote the licensing objectives, particularly the prevention of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

The application proposes that alcohol will be sold for consumption off the premises between 8:00am and 00.00pm, seven days a week. Granting a licence would provide a further source of alcohol within an area already so heavily populated with licensed premises that crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour have already reached problem levels for the local police.

There are already 4 shops with an alcohol licence on the High Street, which is more than enough to serve the needs of the community. A risk of public nuisance, particularly noise and litter, is a very real risk should another shop be granted a license. Residents in this area already suffer noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour at all hours of the day and night. They have endured this inconvenience since 2003 when the licensing legislation was first amended, and it is totally unacceptable to expect them to continue to do so.

I implore the Committee to take into consideration the existing number of shops in close proximity, coupled with the existing problems associated with alcohol in Banbury town centre, that will only be exacerbated if a license is granted.

If the license cannot be refused outright, I would recommend the Committee to impose mandatory conditions including but not limited to ;

- All alcohol be labelled with a sticker on which is written the shop name. This is to identify those who have already been banned in the locality if they buy from the new shop.
- As a deterrent to anti-social behaviour in the area, no single cans of cider, beer or lager to be dispensed.
- no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence where there is no designated premises supervisor present or that the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.

In view of the above, I would urge the Licensing Authority to refuse the application or strongly modify it with strict conditions.

Yours faithfully

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