From: Sent: 14 May 2020 17:33 To: Licensing (Watford) <<u>licensing@watford.gov.uk</u>> Subject: Application for a license for 132 Ridge Lane

Dear Mr Young

Licencing Act 2003 <u>132 Ridge Lane, Watford, WD17 4SY</u> Notice of Application Ref: 20/00430/PRE

I write to object to the issuing of a license for the sale of alcohol at 132 Ridge lane on the grounds that this location is totally unsuitable for a business of this nature.

It is known from previous surveys that vehicles speed up and down Ridge Lane. Should there be more parking in the area this could be a public safety issue with people speeding around the nearby bend and finding parked cars in the road. This road is a rather narrow and has curves and undulations along it length especially near this address and with any additionally traffic flow to this road would greatly increase the risk of accidents to the local residents and users of this road as a thoroughfare.

This is a residential area not a business area.

Although the licence forbids sale and consumption of alcohol on the premises, there is no way of knowing the scale of this proposal. Were it to become much larger then we fear queues of people waiting to collect their order, thus creating a disturbance

As these premises will be advertised as selling alcohol, this could be attractive to unsavoury elements and possibly cause an increase in crime in the area.

There could also be an issue with public nuisance if many people were to arrive at the same time and difficulties with parking arise thus giving rise to increased noise levels. Having picked up purchases some customers could perhaps test it off the premises ie on pavements outside the property or in the nearby park where local children play. etc.

I have concerns that alcohol could be available Sunday mornings at <u>9am</u> – even public houses do not open until 12 on Sundays.

I am also concerned about thoughtless people parking across the drives of neighbour's drives causing a nuisance. Although that is not necessarily the licensee's problem it could become an issue for surrounding neighbours.

I hope that you will take my concerns into consideration when deciding on this application.

Thank you.

Denewood close