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**Subject:** 132 Ridge Lane WD17 4SY ref: 20/00430/PRE FAO Austen Young

Dear Austen,

Thank you for your letter dated 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 concerning the planning application relating to 132 Ridge Lane: sale of alcohol; by retail (for consumption off the premises only).

We wish to oppose this application on the following grounds:-

- 1) The sale of alcohol on a purely residential street will lead to an increase in criminal/ anti-social behaviour. It may also be unlawful under the covenant binding 132 Ridge Lane. Our house ([REDACTED] Ridge Lane) is subject to covenants forbidding us from running a business from it.
- 2) The likely increase in traffic, both on foot and by car, would raise public health concerns.
  - a) The likely increase in anti-social behaviour could lead to an increase in injuries on or near the premises.
  - b) 132 Ridge Lane is close to a dangerous bend in the road at the junction with Fairview Drive – there have already been several accidents at that location. Parked cars accessing the premises would increase hazards to cars coming round the corner.
- 3) The sale of alcohol will lead to an increase in noise and litter
- 4) It is inappropriate for alcohol to be sold on a street that houses so many children. It could easily lead to teenagers attempting to buy alcohol illegally.

Yours sincerely

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