## Representations

#### 1.

Subject: Objection to Premises Licence Application by J&P Monkton Road Limited, 3 Intake Avenue, Clifton, York, YO30 6HB

I am writing to formally object to the above application for a Premises Licence to sell alcohol (off-licence), operating Monday to Sunday from 06:00 to 23:00.

As a local resident, I have significant concerns regarding this application on the following grounds, which align with considerations outlined in the Licensing Act 2003 and City of York Council's licensing objectives:

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#### 2. Over-concentration of Licensed Premises:

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### 3. Public Safety and Community Wellbeing:

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4. Danger to children: Burton Green Primary School is located less than 10 minutes walk away and the site location for licencing would cross a key route that children take to access the school. The presence of an off-licence near a school risks increased exposure of young people to alcohol, potentially contributing to underage drinking and related antisocial behaviour.

Data from <u>streetcheck.co.uk</u> shows there were 24 instances of anti-social behaviour crimes within half a mile of the proposed site location in April 2025 alone! This is in addition to 23 violence and sexual offences reported in the area in the same month.

**ANNEX 4** 

As a resident with young children, these statistics support a clear and sustained pattern of antisocial behaviour my family and I have observed first-hand in the immediate area and granting this licence would exacerbate the issue.

Adding another off-licence in a troubled zone contributes to the cumulative impact, which York's Licensing Policy identifies as a legitimate basis for refusal.

Given the reasons outlined, I strongly request that this application be refused in line with the Licensing Act 2003 and the associated statutory guidance.

Thank you for considering this objection seriously in your decision-making process.

Yours faithfully,

....Lucas Avenue, York, YO30 6HJ

Source: Information for Intake Avenue, York, YO30 6HB Postcode

Source: Local Crime Information for Intake Avenue, York, YO30 6HB - April 2025

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I hope our objection is provided due consideration.

Kind regards

.... St Joseph's Court

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York, YO30 6LB