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I'm writing to object in the strongest possible terms against the proposal of the unit at 2 Milburn Lane, being used for an off licence open till 11 pm. Please find my listed objections below.

This community is already well served by local stores. We have a nisa literally opposite the proposed off licence, which is not only very well stocked, but is also selling tobacco and alcohol. We also have a Sainsbury's and Tesco within 500 metres, as well as a convenience store a little further down the road about 600 metres away. The Tesco is open 24 hours and the nisa till 11. This new store would not be providing a new or needed service.

The design of the estate where the shop site is proposed lends itself well to loitering and antisocial behaviour. The walls outside people's homes, less than meters away are low, and people already congregate at this junction and sit on walls drinking, spitting, shouting and generally being a nuisance. Adding the opportunity to pick up alcohol at this point will exacerbate the problem. People have a right to relax in their living rooms of an evening without feeling they are being joined by those who attempt to use this area in this way.

Cars park antisocially, blocking the pavement and restricting access to the homes of disabled tenants that live in the social housing opposite already, and this is without the added motivation of passers by pulling in, double parking and the likes, to grab last minute alcohol etc.

Another concern is the homes directly opposite the unit find themselves in a conservation area and do not have the luxury of double glazing. The beautiful period homes, that should rightly be preserved, have traditional sash windows, but this means all comings and goings are easily heard, especially as most of these homes have their bedrooms at the front facing the shop. A young community is growing in Agar Grove and I can think of 10 children in these period homes this will affect.

Litter is a huge problem in Agar Grove. Multiple residents have been in contact with laela gosset, environmental manager, trying to come up with a solution to this problem. Another shop is another opportunity for people to create litter.

There has also been communication with Simon Bull, noise and pollution officer at Camden, regarding the noise created by deliveries to the Nisa at antisocial times of the day. Must the residents here on Agar put up with yet more disruption of more deliveries to another shop? We have experienced years of disruption with the redevelopment and now the work on the bridge. Are we just expected to never return to a level of noise that it once was? Another shop will inevitably increase noise levels. Yet more stress on us as a community.

I'm also concerned about the illumination the shop will create. Being open till 11, the lights the shop will use will themselves be antisocial.

The residents of Agar Grove were hopeful this unit would be used for something that would serve and enhance the community. A hub to meet and socialise. We were under the impression that a cafe that served the local area previous to the 'redevelopment' was to return. There was also talk of it being used as a community office. Agar will never fulfil its potential within this redevelopment if the residents are not shown they should expect more than late night disturbances and alcohol fuled anti social behaviour.

Zoe Franklin Jones, Agar Grove resident.