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**Sent:** 06 May 2015 10:21  
**To:** Planning  
**Cc:** Eslamdoust, Maryam (Councillor)  
**Subject:** RE: Betting shop planning application for Kilburn High Road 2015/1549/P

Hi Planning

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Thanks

Alison Nicholas  
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**From:** Eslamdoust, Maryam (Councillor)  
**Sent:** 05 May 2015 23:14  
**To:** Planning and Public protection  
**Subject:** FW: Betting shop planning application for Kilburn High Road 2015/1549/P

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**From:** Ricardo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 05 May 2015 13:53  
**To:** Eslamdoust, Maryam (Councillor); Gardiner, Thomas (Councillor); Beattie, Douglas (Councillor)  
**Subject:** Betting shop planning application for Kilburn High Road 2015/1549/P

Hi

I am writing to you to object to the recent planning application submitted by Paddy Power to open a betting shop on Kilburn High Road. As you may be aware they already have a huge shop on the street that takes up 3 units. The street itself is also well served by other bookmakers so I think this application should be declined.

You will I hope be aware of research that shows that betting shops act as a blight on high streets and crowd out other retailers (bakers, butchers, clothes shops etc). This clustering also effects the variety of shops available on the high street and contributes to making it less viable as a local social amenity. There is also the issue of these shops being clustered in deprived areas to take advantage of poorer residents. This is something I am extremely uncomfortable with and I hope you are too.

As local representatives I would hope that you would reflect mine and other local peoples views and vote against this application. I will of course politely consider your response to this application when I vote at the next council elections.

Kind regards

Ricardo Fernandez  
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