

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/X5210/W/15/3140916

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference

Appeal By

Site Address

SENDER DETAILS

Name

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Dear Sir or Madam,

I write to object to the planning appeal by Paddy Power, seeking to convert the use class of 64 Kilburn High Road from A1 retail to sui generis betting shop.

Kilburn High Road is utterly saturated with betting shops. We simply cannot stand any more. The number of gambling licences is well into double figures, with premises either side of the High Road, in both Camden and Brent.

The addition of another gambling premises will further reduce the diversity of the retail offer on Kilburn High Road.

To allow the conversion would remove much needed retail space on a shopping street that serves most of North West London.

Footfall will be lost for other shops on the High Road. Betting shops largely attract a captive customer base, with the bulk of sales going to customers who remain in the premises all day.

There is anti-social behaviour associated with these types of premises, which often reduces the attractiveness of the street around in the vicinity of the address.

All this is against Camden's planning policies, as outlined in the council's decision notice.

Our community feels under attack from the constant onslaught of more and more gambling premises, which are strangling the retail in our town centre.

I urge that you reject the appeal and protect us from the onslaught.

Your faithfully

Councillor Thomas Gardiner
Labour Councillor for Kilburn Ward
London Borough of Camden