

APPENDIX 9

From: Emma Lonsdale [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 03 January 2024 18:52
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: OBJECTION TO GAMBLING LICENSED

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Dear MBC

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

I am objecting on the basis that it is not fitting with the purpose of the centre which serves not only as a shopping venue but a family and community meeting place. There is also fair access to gambling machines at the bookies outside of the centre, parkway social club and Lingfield Farm pub. The negative public health impact out weighs any perceived benefit the council may have.

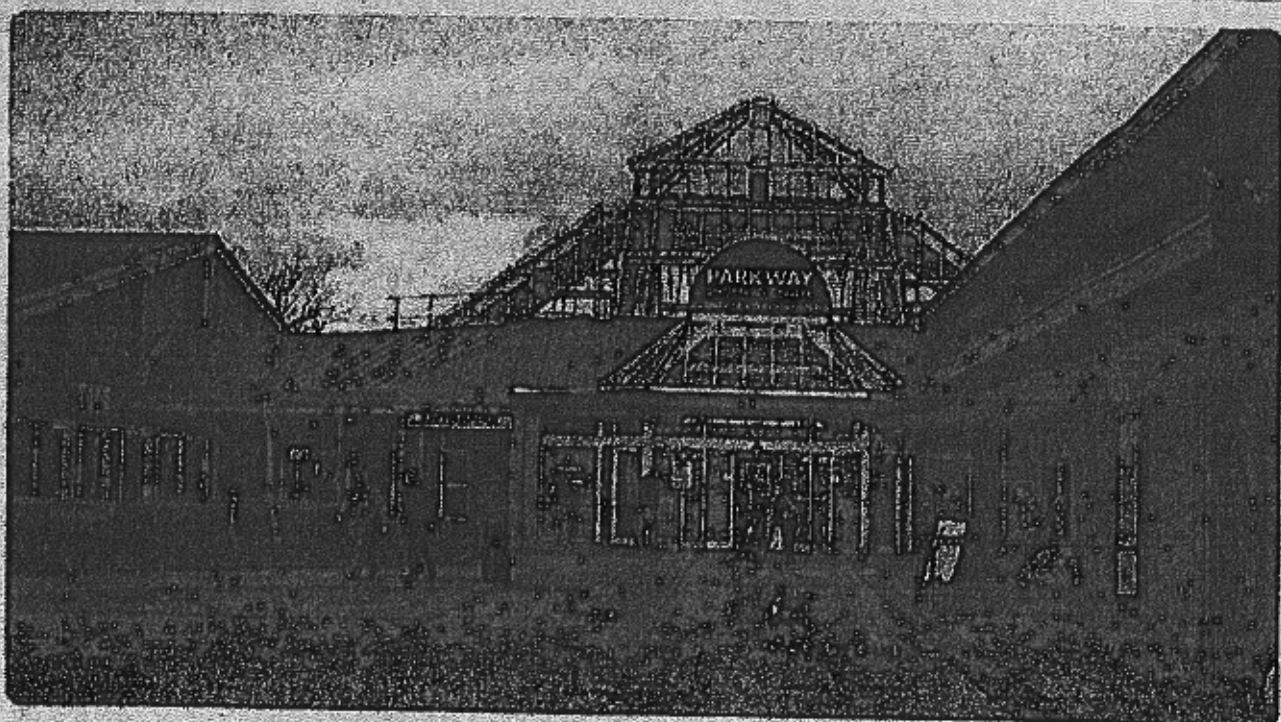
I have also been gathering signatures and views of a further 345 residents with little promotion. I am certain with a further public campaign there would be many more.

They can be found here <https://chnq.it/S4MmsVntdy>

Please consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many thanks,
Emma Lonsdale

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPhone



Prevent the Establishment of a Gambling Premises in Coulby Newham

Started 12 December 2023

346

Signatures

500

Next Goal

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Why this petition matters



Started by **Emma Lonsdale**

I am a resident of Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough, and I have seen firsthand the devastating impacts of gambling. It destroys lives and takes money from the pockets of

those most vulnerable in our society. Our community is at risk with the proposed opening of a new gambling premises.

Gambling addiction is not just an individual problem; it affects families, relationships, and communities. According to UK Gambling Commission statistics, over 2 million people in the UK are either problem gamblers or at risk of addiction (UKGC Report 2018). These numbers are alarming and demonstrate that we must take action to prevent further harm.

The establishment of another gambling premises will only exacerbate these issues within our community. We need to focus on providing support for those already affected by this issue rather than creating more opportunities for addiction.

We urge local authorities to consider these concerns seriously when making their decision about this proposed establishment. Let's protect our community from further harm caused by gambling establishments.

Please sign this petition if you believe in safeguarding our community from potential damage caused by increased access to gambling facilities.

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APPENDIX 113

From: angela brookmyre [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 3:44 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Parkway Centre licensing application

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Dear Sirs

I notice that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

A gambling establishment attracts anti social behaviour and makes a profit from the vulnerable.

I have a young child and don't want her to see this activity normalised in her community.

I may have missed, but, were the community consulted about this? Is this the only type of business the parkway attracts or the only type that can afford the rent?

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many thanks,

Angela Brookmyre
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abbie Keogh [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 7:15 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Parkway Centre

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Hello,

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This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TSB QJT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

The reason being there is enough poverty in the area without adding more temptation to others gambling addictions as well as a betting shop already located outside the centre towards the bus stops.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many thanks,
Abigail Cronin
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: Bernadette Foley [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 06 December 2023 18:13
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Adult Gaming Parkway Centre

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I am writing to object to the Adult Gaming in Parkway Centre at Coulby Newham. There are already 2 betting shops there and having this additional place will not reflect well for the local community. Nor will it help people or their families who are addicted to gambling.

The shopping centre is not a suitable environment for this type of establishment as it is used by families and children. Does the council really want to encourage gambling in what is a family environment?

Please accept this email as My objection to this.

Thank you
Regards
Bernadette Foley.

APPROX 13

From: Dominique Bendelow-Chilver [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 3:33 PM
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject:

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Hi,

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Hemlington within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and I shop there at least 5 days a week as well as regularly hiring stalls in the centre. I would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

The licence would only be bad news for the parkway centre. These sorts of establishments feed on people's addictions which are rife in our already disadvantaged and impoverished area.

Along with this, without making stereotypes and prejudices, these establishment attract heavy drinkers. I personally wouldn't feel safe walking through with my children and feel the same about these areas in Middlesbrough town centre. Nor would I want to spend £200 a day on a stall for my business, only to be placed opposite a gambling centre.

I run a local community organisation and all 1093 members agree that this is a very bad move and one which will affect us all negatively.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities and the general public.

In a time where our high streets are dying, these sorts of buildings could be used to host small local businesses and instead are infested with things such as gambling centres that only help to further decline these areas.

Many thanks,
Dominique Bendelow-Chilver



APPENDIX 14

From: A Witherden [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 3:05 PM
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: License application Leisure Land 17a Parkway Centre Coulby Newham TS8 0JT

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Hi,

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

My young teenage son is autistic and attends a local specialist school for people with moderate learning difficulties. I hope one day soon that he will be able to walk around Coulby Newham on his own and have looked forward to him having this independence as a young adult. He is exactly the sort of vulnerable person for whom walking past the bright lights and promises of easy cash in an adult gaming centre could be incredibly detrimental.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with autism and other learning difficulties.

Many thanks,

Dr Abi Witherden

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Abi Witherden (she/her)

[REDACTED]

APPENDIX 15

From: Emma Cairnes [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 11:15 PM
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Rejection to application - Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

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To whom it may concern,

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

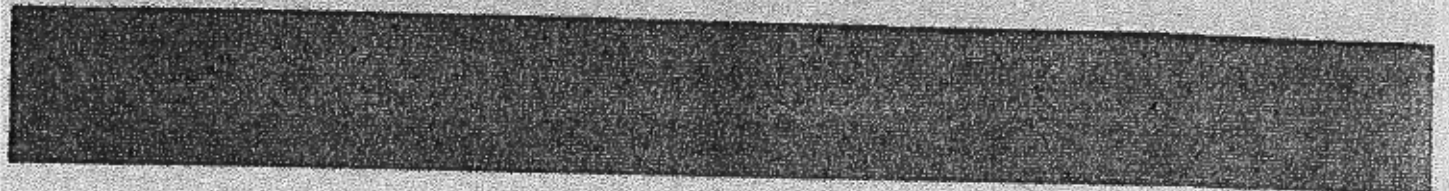
This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

Having personally experienced the effects of gambling and addictions, I feel the easy accessibility of this unit could be detrimental to the lives of people living in Coulby Newham, particularly, of those already living with addiction. I feel it may also influence young people to begin gambling as many young people use the shopping centre after school which may start them on a pathway of addiction. Finally, given the current financial climate this could also influence those in the area who are struggling in the hope of gaining more money only to land them in further financial difficulties.

I ask you to consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many thanks,
Emma Bullock, [REDACTED]



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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 4:38 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to planning application

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Hello

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Leisure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

I think that the proposal would encourage vulnerable people to get into debt and could bring unsavoury characters to a family space.

There is a group of disabled adults based at The Manor Hub that use the centre on a daily basis, they access the area as it is a welcoming environment.

People collecting medication from Boots Chemists to manage depression that has resulted from gambling debts do not need the lure of this type of establishment closely situated.

I think this type of business is better placed at the new James Cook Square (The Square) where it would be more appropriately situated.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Kind regards
Malcolm Turley

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Middlesbrough
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank Davies [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 4:22 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: License application

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Hello,

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Lelsure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Coulby Newham within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

In the current climate of austerity I do not believe this is suitable.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many Thanks
Frank Davies
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Sarah Small [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, 06 December 2023 18:45
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Cc: Sarah Small [redacted]
Subject: Objection to application in respect of Adult Gaming Centre Premise License for a gaming arcade in the Parkway Centre at Coulby Newham.

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Dear Sirs

I am writing to raise an objection to the recent application in respect of an Adult Gaming Centre Premise License for a gaming arcade in the Parkway Centre at Coulby Newham.

I regularly shop in this centre and feel that this will be harmful to the community especially the more vulnerable as its them that are more prone to fall into debt and have their lives destroyed by the dependency that these centres cause.

As a affected other of an gambling addict I feel that having a gaming arcade in close proximity to two other betting shops would be detrimental not only to my family member but to the local area. We are always being told that Middlesbrough is a deprived area and although the recent article in the Evening Gazette states that it would 'provide an economic return for the shopping centre owners whilst bringing life back to this important corner of the centre' Have you considered the implications this would have on gambling addicts and their families? I attend counselling sessions each week through the gambling service NECA and I am saddened by the number of families that are facing issues brought on by gambling. Surely as the local council you have a duty of care to the local community to prevent any future distress that this addiction causes.

The Parkway Centre is also used by families with children and I don't feel that this is an appropriate location for this type of establishment.

Kind regards
Mrs Sarah Small

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From: becca Jayne [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 10:05 AM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Gaming arcade

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Hi

I don't agree with the proposal to put a gaming centre in the coulby Newham centre. It encourages Gambling and as it is a family area I do not believe it should be placed there.

Thanks

Rebecca Arnold

From: June holt [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, 06 December 2023 19:06
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Coulby Newham gaming centre

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I would like to object to the proposed gaming centre to be based at coulby Newham we are already serviced by two bookmakers at the centre and I feel that is enough. The new place has a pawn shop ramdens next door a vape shop opposite and burger king this is heaven to a gambling addict it ruins families which we have some experience. This is a well used family centre in quite a deprived areas as we are often told in the press. You do not find these type of facilities in more affluent areas. Please can we not prey on the vulnerable I am begging you to reconsider this application.

Yours sincerely
Mrs June Holt

Appendix 21

From: Geoff Peirse [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 12:44 PM
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Parkway Centre Coulby Newham : Gaming Centre

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Hi

I would like to inform you that I strongly object to the open of a gaming centre at the Parkway Shopping Centre. I feel very strongly that such a centre could seriously effect the families of many of the people who may use the centre with the possibility that it could lead to them being unable to gamble sensibly and therefore create financial hardship for themselves and their families. In times when many people struggle to "get by" from a financial point of view, to place a temptation to gamble and probably lose much needed money in their paths would be immoral and irresponsible. The Gazette recently published an article saying that more foodbanks are required in the town. This was, at the same time as reporting that the Gaming Centre is going to be opened. This appears to be a absolute contradiction in what the town requires.

Please deny the application for a licence for this Gaming Centre.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Peirse.

From: Julie Philpot [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 5:22 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to gambling premises The Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham

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Good evening

I have seen that a license application has been made for a unit in the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham, to be turned into an adult gaming centre.

This application refers to Lelsure Land 17a, Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

I live in Marton within easy walking distance of the Parkway Centre and would like to register my opposition to the granting of this license.

I feel that this would be a poor use of the centre, we already have enough problems with antisocial behaviour in the area and this will contribute to this. It is about time the council and the landlord realise that we need better facilities, e.g. a butchers, which will benefit the whole community and bring more people into the centre rather than encouraging gambling.

Please would you consider rejecting this application and keeping Coulby Newham a safer space for people with addiction issues, learning difficulties or other vulnerabilities.

Many thanks,

Mrs Julie Philpot

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Appendix 23

From: Joanne Storey [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 3:08 PM
To: Licensing <licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to application

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Good afternoon,

I wish to object to the application in respect of a Grant of an Adult Gaming Centre Premise Licence:
Leisure Land 17a Parkway Centre Coulby Newham TS8 0JT.

Joanne Storey

[REDACTED]

From: James Small [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, December 8, 2023 8:58 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Adult Gaming Centre in Parkway Centre

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Good evening,

I am writing to object to the proposed Adult Gaming Centre at the Parkway Centre, Coulby Newham. I strongly believe that this will have negative impact on the shopping centre and be harmful to the community as a whole. Middlesbrough is described as a deprived area and I think this type of establishment will be harmful to vulnerable people who have a dependency on these centres which encourage people to get into debt.

Personally, I have friends and family who struggle with gambling and are in debt as a result of this kind of establishment. They are supposed to follow a duty of care to protect their users, but I can see from personal experience that such establishments in the local area do not abide by the unmonitored rules they say they follow.

If you knew the impact such establishments can have on an individual and their friends and family, you would certainly not be licencing one to open at this address.

Please reach out if you want to discuss this further.

Regards,

James Small