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The Licencing Section
Leicester City Council
City Hall, Charles Street
Leicester

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re; The Red Apple store, LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

I write with reference to the above named store in Charles Street, which has recently opened for business and is now applying for a licence to retail alcohol for which I tender my profound objection to such a licence.

Just a few yards away was a shop called 'Schnapps', which attracted a quite number of alcoholics but due to its closure, the alcoholics have thankfully, left the area and one less shop retailing alcohol has not diminished the availability of purchasing alcohol.

Almost next door to The Red Apple are two other shops that retail alcohol, also, around the corner is a Sainsbury store with a large selection of alcohol as well as other shops in Humberstone Gate where the purchase of a can of beer is possible.

In Belgrave Gate, there is Tesco's and the Iceland Supermarket together with a number of other stores that sell beer and wine. Do we need another shop that sells alcohol? NO, definitely not

The Red Apple store is adjacent to the entrance to the Hannam Court flats, twenty of which are above the large open store. Subsequently, it would no doubt inevitably attract alcoholics back into the area and the sale of alcohol from that store would be distinctly detrimental to the area again and to the residents of the flats due to the bad language, the arguing, and fighting, which regularly occurs where alcoholics congregate.

Without doubt, they would linger on the steps to the entrance to Hannam Court as before. On more than one occasion, alcoholics have puked on the steps; others being requested to move on having settled down in the entranceway, which was intimidating to Residents and guests having to pass such people to enter their homes and will be again for sure should the council issue a licence to the Red Apple store.

I have compassion towards Alcoholics and the Homeless. What caused them to get into such a life style, which could happen to anyone, repeat, anyone?

Instead of moving them on and having them arrested, the council should help them with equal sanctity they show towards migrants.

In closing, I humbly request that the Licencing Section deliberate seriously the issue of an alcoholic licence to the Red Apple store.

Yours
sincerely

