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Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to formally object to the application submitted by Samy (County) Ltd to vary the licensing conditions at 170-178 Evington Road (Morrisons). The application seeks to extend the sale of alcohol between 6:00 AM and midnight and to sell late-night refreshments between 11:00 PM and midnight.

As a local resident, I am deeply concerned about the detrimental impact this extended licensing will have on our community. The Evington Road area has unfortunately become a hotspot for anti-social behavior, including street drinking, loitering, and public disturbances. Over recent years, we have witnessed a rise in serious crimes, including stabbings and shootings, which have caused significant fear and distress among residents.

Allowing the sale of alcohol from as early as 6:00 AM and extending it late into the night will exacerbate these issues. The longer hours will likely increase the availability of alcohol to those who are already contributing to antisocial behavior. It will also attract individuals who could exploit the extended hours, thereby further disrupting the peace and safety of our neighborhood.

The presence of a late-night refreshment license will also encourage people to congregate outside the premises during late hours, creating noise, litter, and further disturbances for nearby residents. This is particularly concerning given the high density of families and vulnerable individuals living in close proximity to the store.

As a community, we believe that public safety and neighborhood harmony must take precedence over commercial interests. I urge the council to reject this application to protect the well-being of the residents and prevent further strain on local law enforcement and public services.

Thank you for considering my representation. I trust that the council will prioritise the safety and quality of life for the local community when making its decision.

Kind regards,