From:

Sent: 13 December 2024 17:21

To: Licensing <Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: Royal Casino Slots 519 Green Lanes

I object to the application to extend the opening hours of this establishment.

The most recent appeal against a previous application was dismissed in September.

The inspector noted that

Rather, having regard to the evidence before me, the extended operating hours would result in an adverse impact in terms of noise and disturbance.....the extended operating hours would result in comings and goings at unsociable times which the appellant would have little or no control over.....A temporary permission has been suggested, and although this approach has been utilised elsewhere by the Council, in this case, it would result in an unacceptable impact to the living conditions of nearby residential occupiers for the duration of that temporary period...I therefore conclude that the proposal would result in unacceptable harm to the living conditions of nearby residential occupiers with regard to noise and disturbance.

The inspector also noted that although a rather out of date and arguably irrelevant Noise Assessment had been submitted. Even if an more up to date assessment were provided, it could provide little actual evidence to rev=but the inspector's finding that an extension of opening hours would inevitably result in more "comings and goings" [that is why the extension is sought] with the inevitable potential for the sorts of harm described.

Therefore the same objections remain.

From:

Sent: 13 December 2024 18:05

To: Licensing <Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk> Subject: Royale Casino Slots 519 Green Lanes Haringey

I write to object to the application to extend the opening hours of the Casino at 519 Green Lanes. There is evidence that antisocial behaviour is associated with such premises which is likely to be worse by being open into the early hours of the morning.

I urge that the licence conditions are not changed by allowing any extension of hours.

From:

Sent: 14 December 2024 10:05

To: Licensing <Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: Royal Casino Slots 519 Green Lanes

Royal Casino Slots 519 Green Lanes

Good Morning,

I object to the extended operating hours, and it should remain at the current closing time of 11.00pm.

As a local resident I can see that the gambling facilities are linked to crime and ASB (noise and disruption) and the risks in affecting vulnerable groups the most (children and those with mental health challenges, the homeless, and suffering addiction).

There are already numerous gambling outlets on Green Lanes which can be seen to have a detrimental impact on the community wellbeing, and this acceptance to allow later operating hours is a precedent for others wishing to open into the early hours.

From:

Sent: 14 December 2024 22:25

To: Licensing <Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: Future Leisure, 519 Green Lanes, Hornsey, London, N4 1AN

I have seen that Future Leisure wishes to vary the conditions of its licence for Adult Gaming Premises at 519 Green Lanes N4 1AN.

I can't find detail published of what this entails but have heard that it is a request to keep the premises open beyond 11pm until 2am. If this is the case I am writing to object.

Allowing this to happen would seriously affect the amenity of local residents who are likely to be disturbed by people coming and going when they are sleeping. There is no way of controlling this. It also risks being a magnet for ASB, crime and disorder. There are too many gambling outlets on a short stretch of Green Lanes where the night-time economy risks becoming too prevalent. Balance with the daytime economy needs maintaining.

I also fear that if one outlet manages to get permission to open until 2am, every outlet will expect the same – there have been several attempts over the last few years.

Please protect our local neighbourhood and the wellbeing of our residents.

From:

Sent: 15 December 2024 05:31

To: Licensing <Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk> Subject: [personal] Gambling open hours extended

I am writing to object to the proposal to extend the hours to 2 am of the gambling establishment at 519 Green Lanes. It has been requested before and we opposed then as did most of the community. Why is this still being considered? These types of places prey on people's addictions and extending their hours just further harms the community and also provides more opportunities for crime late at night.



From:

Sent: 15 December 2024 08:59

To: Licensing < Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk >

Subject: Royal casino slots 519 Green Lanes application to extend hours to 2am

Dear Licensing,

I am writing to object to this application.

There has recently been an application to remove the restriction on the opening hours of the 'Royal Casino Slots' so that it no longer needs to close at 11pm - and can trade until 2am.

Studies have shown that gambling facilities are linked to crime and ASB (noise and disruption) and risk affecting vulnerable groups the most (children and those with mental health challenges, the homeless, and suffering addiction).

There are already numerous gambling outlets on Green Lanes which can be seen to have a detrimental impact on community wellbeing and this could set a precedent for others wishing to open into the early hours.

The extended operating hours would result in comings and goings at unsociable times which the appellant would have little or no control over

From:

Sent: 15 December 2024 11:28

To: Licensing <Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: Objection to extending hours of 'gambling' establishment Future Leisure.

Dear Haringey Licensing Team

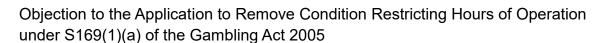
I strongly object to the proposal to extend the hours of opening for any 'gambling' business on Green Lanes, including Future Leisure (519 Green Lanes).

As a member of a family that includes a disabled adult and a child, I am anxious about the inevitable consequence of late night noise, antisocial behaviour and crime that will result. Extended hours will lead to greater potential for drunk and disorderly behaviour which is worrying for the majority of residents. Theft and drug dealing are already big issues in the area. We should not be actively encouraging the potential for more ASB and crime. I live on a street with many young families and elderly residents. No one wants this.

In addition, encouraging gambling habits is ethically questionable, especially with the current cost of living crisis. Longer hours means more consumption of alcohol, which leads to less ability to make rational decisions. You are putting people with addictive personalities in a more vulnerable position, risking loss of personal income for themselves and their families.

I would be hugely disappointed of the council if they allow this, disregarding the wellbeing and safety of their residents over financial gain.

Yours faithfully



Re: 519 Green Lanes, Hornsey, London, N4 1AN

Dear Haringey Licensing Team,

We strongly oppose the application to remove the existing operational hour restrictions (9:00 AM–11:00 PM) for the premises at 519 Green Lanes. This proposal risks significant harm to the local community, which includes families, vulnerable

individuals, and small businesses, and contradicts both planning and licensing principles.

Key Concerns

1. Protecting Local Residents and Vulnerable Groups

This area is particularly vulnerable to the harmful impacts of gambling. Harringay Ward is identified as a high-risk area for gambling-related harm due to its levels of deprivation, mental health challenges, homelessness, and issues with street drinking and drug dependency.

The site is within 100m of South Harringay Primary School and near other schools and youthfocused establishments. This proximity increases the risks of exposing young people to gambling-related harm.

The proposals are in direct conflict with council's Public Health new 'Super zone' approach, which aims to tackle gambling and other factors that could have a detrimental impact on health. The Super zone setup by Public Heath is in recognition of the vulnerability of young people in the locality of these types of applicant sites being susceptible to undue influences that would include gambling (especially gambling that is represented in format of games that is attractive young persons).

Close to a centre dealing with vulnerable people, including housing, clinics, recovery centre, food banks;

The applicant site is located within 400m of a council run shelter for women suffering from domestic abuse on Burgoyne Road. This centre is specifically targeted at single adults who experience domestic abuse and homelessness. The proximity of the applicant site will pose a threat to the recovery of women staying at the refuge by being directly exposed to the harms of gambling.

Harringay Ward is ranked high in all risks associated with gambling-related harm and the vulnerable groups highlighted in the statement of Gambling Policy, suggesting a strong need to safeguard the area from over-concentration of late-night operation gambling premises.

The physical and mental health of those using the centre is at risk, with data collected by the Gambling Commission in 2019 showing that adult gaming centres hosted sessions of more than an hour on at least 150,000 occasions in the space of six months and that prolonged periods of play could lead to larger financial losses and mental harm.

Harringay ward has the highest number of HMOs in the borough (London Borough of Haringey Houses in Multiple Occupation: Housing Stock Condition and Stressors Report, August 2023) HMO accommodation is associated with a vulnerable population and people at risk of gambling addiction. Extending hours would make gambling more accessible at times when people are

most at risk of harm.

2. Increased Crime and Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) Haringey is already impacted by crime and ASB associated with late-night gambling venues.

Extending operational hours would worsen these issues:

- Crime hotspot concerns: Green Lanes already sees significant ASB, theft, and drugrelated incidents. Late-night hours would add to these pressures.
- Disruption to nearby residents: The streets immediately surrounding the premises would face increased noise and disturbances late at night, affecting the quality of life for residents.
- Exploitation of at-risk groups: The local area has seen a rise in street homelessness and substance abuse. Allowing extended access to gambling facilities would likely attract vulnerable individuals, worsening existing problems.

These issues directly conflict with the objectives of the Gambling Act to prevent gambling from being a source of crime or disorder.

3. Contradiction of Local Policies and Previous Decisions

This application disregards key local and national policies:

- Haringey Local Plan (Policy SP10) emphasises the importance of high streets that reflect community needs and values. Allowing gambling venues to operate late at night detracts from the inclusive, family-friendly character of Green Lanes.
- Haringey's Statement of Gambling Policy 2022-2025 highlights Harringay as an area requiring additional protection from gambling-related harm due to high levels of deprivation. Removing time restrictions would go against this strategy.
- A Planning Application and subsequent appeal to extend opening hours at Admiral

Casino, 513 Green Lanes was dismissed. These decisions were based on valid concerns about residential amenity, noise, and ASB—issues that remain unresolved.

4. Negative Impact on Local Families and Businesses

Green Lanes is a bustling high street that thrives on its independent restaurants, cafes, and shops. Late-night gambling venues would:

- Discourage families and residents from visiting the area due to safety concerns.
- Compete unfairly with legitimate evening economy businesses such as restaurants and cafes, which contribute positively to the high street's vibrancy.
- Reduce footfall for small businesses, as increased ASB and crime deter visitors.

Feedback from residents and local shopkeepers highlights growing concerns that unrestricted hours for gambling venues could damage the community atmosphere of Green Lanes.

Conclusion

The current restrictions on operating hours at 519 Green Lanes are critical for maintaining community safety, protecting vulnerable individuals, and preserving the character of the area.

Extending these hours would disproportionately harm residents, families, and businesses while exacerbating local issues with crime and ASB.

We strongly urge the Licensing Authority to reject this application and uphold the existing time restrictions under the Gambling Act 2005 to safeguard the community.

Yours faithfully,

The gardens Residents Association (GRA)

From:

Sent: 16 December 2024 08:04

To: Licensing <Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: 519 Green Lanes

Hello

I would like to object to the betting establishment at 519 Green Lanes applying to extend its opening hours to 2am. This will encourage late-night noise, anti-social behaviour and is detrimental to nearby residents. It will set a precedent to similar betting establishments in this area of which we have far too many. These businesses target poorer areas like ours, trying to take advantage of vulnerable people with little money and gambling addictions. The council should be deterring this not encouraging.

Regards

Representation in respect of Premises License variation

Adult Gaming Centre 519 Green Lanes N4 1AN - To open 24hrs/day, 7 days a week

I am making this representation regarding the application to vary the premises license for the **Adult Gaming Centre 519 Green Lanes N4 1AN.** I am doing this in my capacity as ward councillor and wish to oppose this application. I share the concerns of both the Gardens Residents' Association and the Ladder Community Safety Partnership who have also made submissions. I am concerned that the proposed variation to the current license would have an adverse impact on those living near the premises – people in the flats above the shops along this section of Green Lanes and those living at the eastern end of adjacent Ladder roads – which if granted would mean the gaming centre would be open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Such a variation could set a precedent for other gambling premises on Green Lanes to follow suit and extend their hours which, given the profile of the area, granting permission for a 24/7 gambling outlet in Green Lanes, Harringay, would be against, at minimum, two of the three key Licensing Objectives of the Gambling Act 2005:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed, or exploited by gambling

The applicant has submitted, as required, a <u>Local</u> Area Gambling Risk Assessment, and relies on this evidence of local research, with actions to tackle gambling harms. However, this document has many errors and omissions in this document which are of key relevance.

The LCSP has detailed these and I have reporduced them here:

The profile has an **Incorrect list of gambling outlets** (pp 11-12)

- There is no William Hill in Green Lanes, the reference to 472-480 Green Lanes is a location in Palmers Green and should read West Green Road
- By contrast, two other betting shops have been <u>omitted</u> from the list: Jennings, 32-33 Grand Parade and Ladbrokes 10-12 Grand Parade – the latter omission is the more surprising as it is almost directly opposite the applicant!
- The list fails to record the very close proximity of four gambling outlets (507, 513, 519 Green Lanes, 10-12 Grand Parade) which has obvious implications for problem gamblers and crime (see Section 2 below)
- Golden Slots AGC is at 48 Grand Parade, not 49.

Incorrect list of gambling premises in tabular form (p 46)

- This table is based on the situation before the boundary changes of May 2022, and is therefore 2.5 years out of date.
- In particular, changes affecting Green Lanes mean that Harringay ward has seven gambling outlets, not three, a significant difference which also contributes to it being an Area of Vulnerability in the Council's Gambling Policy 2022-25

Incorrect statement that there are no homelessness centres within half a mile (p 8)

- There are in fact three homelessness centres, one each in Burgoyne Road (wrongly identified as Mental Health Clinic p7), Duckett Road (not mentioned at all) and Mattison Road (wrongly identified as a church p5). There is also a large HMO for vulnerable people placed by other boroughs on Green Lanes – Beresford House.

It is widely accepted that homeless people are highly vulnerable to gambling harm, and it is regrettable that the applicant is unaware of the location of homelessness services in the ward.

There are no references to Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) in Harringay ward.

This is a glaring omission. Harringay ward has almost 800 houses in multiple occupation which suggests there are many vulnerable people accommodated who could be prone to gambling harms.

- A recent study by Haringey Council reveals that Harringay ward has by far the highest number of HMOs within the borough – 785 (in August 2023) with over 2,300 occupants
- This is significant because, once again, it is widely accepted that individuals living in such accommodation are more likely to be vulnerable adults. For more detail about this see Section 3b, below

The fact that the applicant has presented a factually incorrect risk profile is of serious concern. The mitigations they propose do little to deal with the key issue of encouraging and promoting gambling in an area where there is such a high incidence of vulnerable people.

Turning to the licensing objective of <u>Crime and Disorder issues (Licensing</u> <u>Objective)</u>, the Local Area Profile in the Council's Gambling Policy has identified Harringay ward as an Area of Vulnerability. Within this overall context, the extension of opening hours to 24/7 is particularly unwelcome. It is well-documented that gaming centres are most frequently located in poor areas where the poorest people are most likely to gamble on the slot machines. It is worth noting that criminal damage in these venues is quite common if not always reported. I understand, as a local example, that the plate glass window at 513 Green Lanes AGC had to be replaced earlier this year. Links between acquisitive crime and addiction are extremely well known, another cause for concern since Harringay ward has an ongoing and longstanding problem with drug dealing and substance abuse.

The local SNT has made huge efforts to deal with acquisitive crime, including a campaign to reduce burglary which has been on the increase. So too, have thefts from motor vehicles – the sort of crime which provides funds for a drug or gambling addiction. As

As mentioned above, Harringay area is a well-known hot spot for drug dealing, including Class A. As a result, two of the three Met. Police Ward priorities are based around drug dealing in conjunction with other criminal activity. There is a very real concern that a 24/7 gambling outlet will exacerbate this, as has happened in similar locations e.g. near Turnpike Lane.

The LCSP has made reference to the problems experienced in Green Lanes over twenty years ag when the 24/7 economy contributed to 'an explosion of crime and disorder, culminating in murder, a drug-related turf war and an associated proliferation of late-night gambling outlets.' The Council, the police, local residents and traders all came together via the Green Lanes Strategy Group to try to make Green Lanes a better place which has been hugely successful. It is not surprising that residents living on both sides of Green Lanes do not want any return to the 24/7 economy, underpinned by gaming and gambling.

Children and Vulnerable Persons Issues (Licensing Objective)

Haringey's 'Statement of Gambling Policy 2022-25' makes it clear that when determining an application to grant a Premises License the Council will have regard

to the location of services for children and the need to protect vulnerable adults. All of these factors are relevant here, as shown below.

Schools and Children

The area risk profile lists schools and nurseries near the premises, and as Green Lanes is the main shopping district in the area children will be seeing this, and other gambling facilities quite regularly. The prevalence of gambling premises in the area, where gambling is promoted and encouraged, is not a positive message to children. Late night and 24/7 opening also poses a particular risk for older teenagers (16-18 year olds) who may be tempted to enter and who will need to be very closely monitored by staff as a result.

Vulnerable adults

I hve already commented on the unusually high number of vulnerable adults in the area. As well as the high incidence of HMOs, there are also extensive in patient mental health care facilities at St Ann's Hospital, which draws in vulnerable adults from a broad area of North London.

In addition, the Gambling Local Area Profile January 2022 para 8.4 states there are approximately 4,000 adults with severe mental illnesses living in Haringey – three times more than would be expected, even given Haringey's level of deprivation. The wards adjacent to Green Lanes, for which Green Lanes is their high street, are home to a significant number of vulnerable adults living in various types of supported housing. Harringay ward alone has the highest number of hostels of all 21 wards in the borough. Given the profile of problem gamblers described in GamCare's Annual Reports - largely male, between 18-35 years old – having a 24/7 centre on Green Lanes would seem irresponsible since it is this group likely to be living in accommodation such as HMOs (see above) and identified in the latest census returns.

It is well known that poor and marginalised people are the most susceptible to problem gambling, which can explain why these centres are clustered in poorer areas. The longer the hours, the greater the inducement to gamble- whatever mitigations are proposed. Agreeing to this variation would simply legitimate this, and I would urge the committee to reject this application. I would finally remind members that the Licensing Committee refused an identical application for 24/7 opening for the AGC at 513 Green Lanes in 2021.

Thank you

Zena Brabazon

Cabinet Member for Children, Schools, and families

Councillor, Harringay ward

From:

Sent: 14 December 2024 23:52

To: Licensing <Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: [gardensresidents] Future Leisure, 519 Green Lanes, Hornsey, London, N4 1AN

Formally objecting to request from the above gambling establishment to increase their opening hours till 2am.

This is an area with many young families but is already suffering from criminal activity and recent negative press. We do not need anything that could possibly, in any way, increase either.

Kind regards

From:

Sent: 13 December 2024 17:15

To: Licensing < Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk >

Cc:

Subject: Application to extend opening hours - Royal Casino Slots 519 Green Lanes

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I object to this application and would ask it is refused.

There is simply no need or justification for an extension to the opening hours of a "slot machine" or, as they are more commonly known, one arm bandits!

Opening until 23:00 itself is more than ample for their purposes and many would say too long already.



19 December 2024

Premises Licence: 'Future Leisure', 519 Green Lanes To open 24 hours / day, 7 days a week

I am writing in my capacity as the local councillor for Harringay ward to express my strong opposition to the request for 24/7 opening hours, 7 days a week, by Future Leisure, an adult gaming centre in my ward. In my view, this would undermine two of the three Licensing Objectives of the Gambling Act 2005:

- 1. Preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime.
- 2. Protecting vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

My submission will address how this application will undermine these two objectives.

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The Police, Council and Ladder Community Safety Partnership have been working hard to mitigate serious crime in Harringay, including by co-designing an action plan to address crime and disorder in the ward. However, thefts from motor vehicles and burglaries from residential homes remain frequent in the area. It is likely that these two types of acquisitive crimes would increase if the area were to attract problem gamblers seeking to finance a gambling addiction through illicit means.

The risk of criminal damage to shop frontages by customers who are upset that they have lost money through gambling is also likely to increase. I am told that, for this very reason, earlier this year a plate glass window had to be replaced at the nearby adult gaming centre on 513 Green Lanes, very close to Future Leisure's premises

The 24/7 trading hours requested by Future Leisure may increase the number of crimes taking place in the late hours, when perpetrators of crime can operate under cover of darkness and are more likely to evade detection by the police.

It is also worth recalling that, in the past, Green Lanes used to have a 24/7 economy, before the Council deliberately sought to transition the area to an evening-based economy. As a 24/7 economy, Green Lanes became a hotspot for Class A drug-related turf wars and severe crime and disorder that often coalesced around 24/7 gambling outlets. It has taken several years of partnership between residents, the Council, and the Police to create a safer environment on Green Lanes centred around an evening economy, not a night-time economy. A key part of this transition to a safer neighbourhood was to limit the opening hours of adult gaming centres. We should not reverse this progress by allowing gaming centres to once again remain open 24/7.

2. Protecting vulnerable persons from harm

Allowing 24/7 opening hours for a gambling centre is likely to pose a risk to the wellbeing of the high number of vulnerable individuals who live and spend time in Harringay and its surrounding wards. These include hundreds of individuals from all over North London who seek care for mental health conditions at the headquarters of the Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Mental Health NHS Trust at St Ann's Hospital, which is only a short ten-minute walk away from Future Leisure. Harringay ward also has a very high number of vulnerable adults receiving 'care in the community' in local hostels. Many of these individuals are recovering from serious addictions and may be more susceptible to problem gambling.

Moreover, there is significant evidence that gambling in the early hours of the morning is linked to problem gambling. According to a study conducted by Gamble Aware, an industry-funded charity, problem gamblers are more likely to place bets between midnight and 4am. Furthermore, according to the Royal Society for Public Health, gambling at night is linked to an increased risk of harm because it is much less likely to be noticed by family and friends, and therefore presents fewer opportunities for interventions. It is therefore likely that the hours requested by Future Leisure will increase the risk of harm to vulnerable individuals who suffer from problem gambling.

3. Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above, I would strongly urge Haringey Council, as the Licensing Authority, to limit Future Leisure's trading hours to its existing hours. This would be the same as the nearby adult gaming centres at 513 Green Lanes and 48 Grand Parade.

It is also worth noting that there are currently no entertainment premises open 24/7 on Green Lanes, while an application for 24/7 opening of the adult gaming centre at 513 Green Lanes was refused by the Licensing Sub-Committee in 2021. Granting 24/7 trading hours, seven days a week to 'Future Leisure' would set a dangerous precedent that would likely encourage other gambling centres on Green Lanes to also apply for similar hours.

Thank you for kindly considering my objection.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Anna Abela (Harringay ward)

From

Sent: 15 December 2024 01:22

To: Licensing <Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: 519 green lanes

I object to this gambling establishment to have a late licence to 2am it will cause even more disturbance to green lanes

Best Regards,

From:

Sent: 15 March 2025 12:12

To: Licensing < Licensing@haringey.gov.uk >

Subject: Objection to Little Vegas' Application for 24-Hour Operation at 17 High

Road, Wood Green, N22 6BH

Dear Haringey Council Licensing Committee,

I am writing to formally object to the application by Little Vegas, located at 17 High Road, Wood Green, N22 6BH, to vary its licence for 24-hour operation as an Adult Gaming Centre.

Fixed Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs), commonly found in such establishments, have been associated with significant social harm. Despite the reduction of the maximum stake to £2 in April 2019, concerns about their addictive nature persist.

The proposed extension to 24-hour operation raises further concerns. Extended hours may exacerbate gambling-related issues, leading to increased financial

hardship and social problems within the community. It is important to consider the potential negative impact on vulnerable individuals during late-night hours.

Notably, areas such as Muswell Hill and Highgate do not have such establishments operating around the clock. This absence suggests a community preference for limiting the availability of gambling services, thereby reducing potential harm.

Moreover, the proliferation of gambling establishments in certain areas can lead to clustering, which has been a concern in Haringey. This clustering effect can negatively impact the character of local communities and contribute to social issues.

In light of these concerns, I urge the Licensing Committee to reject Little Vegas' application for 24-hour operation. Prioritising the well-being of our community and mitigating potential gambling-related harm should be our foremost considerations.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Yours sincerely,

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Sent: 14 December 2024 23:52

To: Licensing < <u>Licensing.Licensing@haringey.gov.uk</u>>

Subject: [gardensresidents] Future Leisure, 519 Green Lanes, Hornsey, London, N4

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