

## Sayful Alom

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**From:** Fozia Bi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 22 March 2021 23:19  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection

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To whom it may concern.

I am writing this email regarding a bingo licence at no 12 Bradford at Walsall... I am not happy with this decision and therefore wish to object.

I believe this outlet was once the old corals betting office, which was closed down because of drugs and gambling.. How can Walsall Council approve for a bingo licence and not expect crime and disorder to increase. This will certainly be the case especially if it is to operate 24hrs.

Walsall markets operate in mornings and I sincerely do believe that a bingo licence will have an impact on trade and customers especially if large groups are formed outside all the time.

I hope that you could rethink about this application for a bingo licence and reject it on these terms.

Yours Faithfully,

Mrs Fozia Bi.

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**From:** heather.dicken [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 March 2021 12:24  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Merkur bingo 12 Bradford Street Walsall

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Dear Sir and committee

Please register my objections to the Bingo licence application at 12 Bradford Street.

The application is for a shop unit that I remember was nothing but trouble, in fact it got closed because of crime and drugs.

To allow Merkur a gaming license here would bring crime and disorder back to this part of Walsall.

Gambling throughout the night 24 hours would be an enticement for the young and vulnerable to have somewhere to go in the middle of the night.

It would be impossible for this to have Gambling that is going on in the late night and early hours of the morning and being done in a fair and open manner.

I don't mind Gambling in general as I do have a flutter myself, but this location has a history of drugs and crime with Gambling going hand in hand this will just return and cause the town serious problems.

So for these reasons I ask that you refuse this application..

Your Faithfully

Mrs H DICKEN

Sent from Samsung Mobile on O2

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**From:** julie evans [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 March 2021 12:49  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Bingo license 12 Bradford st walsall

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Dear officer

Please inform the licensing committee of my objections to this application.

I remember when this shop was corals bookies. It was always being visited by the police and people were going in there to gamble and sell drugs. To allow more slot machines at the same location is absolute madness, you are just inviting disorder and people hanging around and doing petty crime all over again. I have no objections to gambling but I am sure that this location with its history will invite crime and drugs all over again.

I have also been told that murker slots are open 24 hours a day.

To grant this would be a mistake.

I remember the crime and disorder at this shop 10 years ago because I worked next door and saw it first hand.

Please turn this application down

Kind regards

julie evans

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WALSALL LICENSING COMMITTEE.

10/03/2021.

CIVIC CENTRE

WALSALL

WS1 1TP

RE: BINGO LICENCE APPLICATION - 12 BRADFORD STREET, WALSALL, WS11PB

Dear officer,

please inform the licensing Committee of my objections to this application.

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It was always being visited by the police and people were going in there to gamble and sell drugs.

To allow more slot machines at the same location is absolute madness, you are just inviting disorder and people hanging around and doing petty crime all over again.

I have no objections to gambling but I am sure that this location, with its history, will invite crime and drugs all over again.

I have also been told that HERKUL Slots are open 24 hours a day.

To grant this would be a mistake.

I remember the crime and disorder at this shop 10 years ago because I worked next door but one and saw it first hand.

PLEASE TURN THIS APPLICATION DOWN.

PLEASE SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:-

MISS. J. EVANS

[REDACTED] WYE ROAD

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Licence Application

9 March 2021

Markus slots

LICENSING UNIT

12 Bradford St

10 MAR 2021

Walsall

WS1 1PB

WALSALL COUNCIL

Dear Licence Committee.

This application for a Bingo Premises is a Crime Problem in the making.

This Premises has already once been a Source of Crime and Disorder, When it Was a CORACS BETTING OFFICE. It got RAIDED & CLOSED DOWN, Because the People Gambling Were also Dealing Drugs.

This Area of town in Bradford St is notorious for gang violence and to allow gambling again at this Spot & also 24 Hour Gambling is a mistake.

It Will be impossible  
to ensure that gambling is  
carried out in a fair and  
open manner, When it is open  
all through the night.

yours faithfully.  
[redacted]

M. IRFAN

[redacted] Sutton Rd

Walsall.

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**From:** Peter Khosla [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 March 2021 21:23  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** 12 Bradford Street

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Dear sir.

I have learned that an application has been submitted to the licensing department for an amusement arcade on Bradford Street.

The application is for gaming machines and bingo that can be operated 24 hours a day.

I am a commercial landlord in Walsall town center and have over the last few years experienced vandalism to my properties.

An amusement arcade where people can gather after hours will only add to the ever growing problems for Walsall town center.

I am fearful that such a venue will facilitate crime and disorder.

The council is no doubt aware that this venue was raided previously and closed down due to drugs being traded there, at that time the venue closed at a regular time in line with the rest of the town, If it were to remain open all hours of the night then one can only imagine what it may attract to the town.

The council has a duty of care for the mental health of the people of Walsall. A venue that has a history of drug abuse and being known as a drug den will only be detrimental to the wellbeing of vulnerable people of Walsall.

Please refuse this application.

Peter

## Sayful Alom

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**From:** Raveena Kaur [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 March 2021 10:09  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Regarding Merkur Slots

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing to inform you that I've been notified that a bookies is going to open in Walsall on the old Corals site on Bradford St. As a Walsall resident this is the wrong discussion to open this Merkur Slots as there has always been a lot of trouble when Corals was open. Due to this I will keep on fighting for the decision to be over turned.

Look forward to hearing a response back.

Many thanks.  
Raveena Kaur.



## Sayful Alom

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**From:** sobia-bi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 March 2021 16:56  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection to bingo licence

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Dear Sir

I would like to register my objection to a bingo licence at no12 Bradford at Walsall...

This was the old corals betting office that was closed down because of drugs and gambling..

I think to allow this to be open 24 hours a day as merkur operate in this location is leaving it open to Crime and Disorder..

There are a lot of young and vulnerable people in this part of town and it could attract them all over again..

Please tune this license down.

Yours Faithfully

Sobia bi

**Rebecca Dangor**

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**From:** Rhiannon Evans [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 March 2021 14:05  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Bingo License 12 Bradford Street Walsall

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Dear sir,

Please express my objections to the licensing committee. This ex Corals betting office was always a trouble spot with people gambling and committing petty crime.

To allow yet again gambling at these premises especially throughout the night will become yet again a source of crime or disorder. To be able to gamble in a closed premises in the early hours of the morning in my opinion will not mean that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way. This area of town with its nightclubs and late night takeaways is a prime location where vulnerable people can be exploited by an undesirable element throughout the night.

Please express my views as a Walsall resident who works in the town centre and has seen this first hand when Corals had this premises.

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Evans

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**From:** Hardip Sangar [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 March 2021 10:00  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Bookies

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To whom it may concern,

Ive been notified that a bookies by the name Merker Slots is in negotiations to open on Bradford St, Walsall. In our opinion we have got so many bookie shops that bring on anti social behaviour with people causing unnecessary trouble due to these gambling shops.

Please turn down this application down for the safety of the Walsall people.

Kind Regards.  
Raj K Sangar.

From: Sanjeev Kumar [REDACTED]  
Sent: 17 March 2021 16:56  
To: Licensing <Licensing@walsall.gov.uk>  
Cc: Councillor S.Samra [REDACTED]  
Subject: License Application MERKUR SLOTS 12 Bradford Street Walsall

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Dear sirs and committee,

Please lodge this objection to the above application on behalf of all the market traders of Walsall Market. I am the Vice Chair of the WMTA and I represent around 100 traders over 5 market days.

MERKUR SLOTS have venues like the proposed in other towns (see image)



The proposal is to open a venue which would see gambling be operated 24 hours a day. (see image)

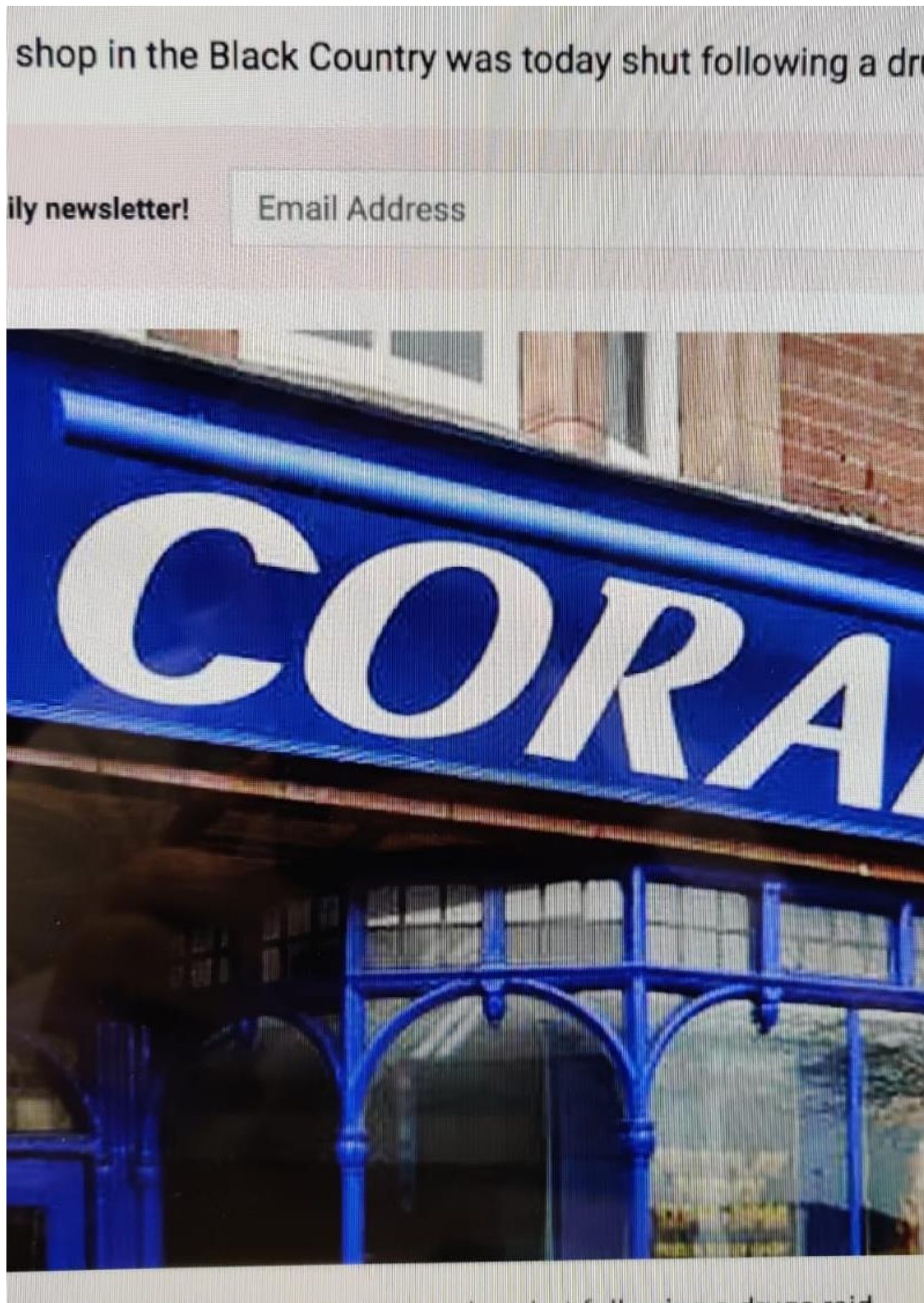


This would encourage antisocial behavior late at night.

Their usual business model whilst being open 24 hours a day, is to operate them with only one member of staff on the premises at any one time. This would make it almost impossible to ensure that gambling will be conducted in a fair and open way.



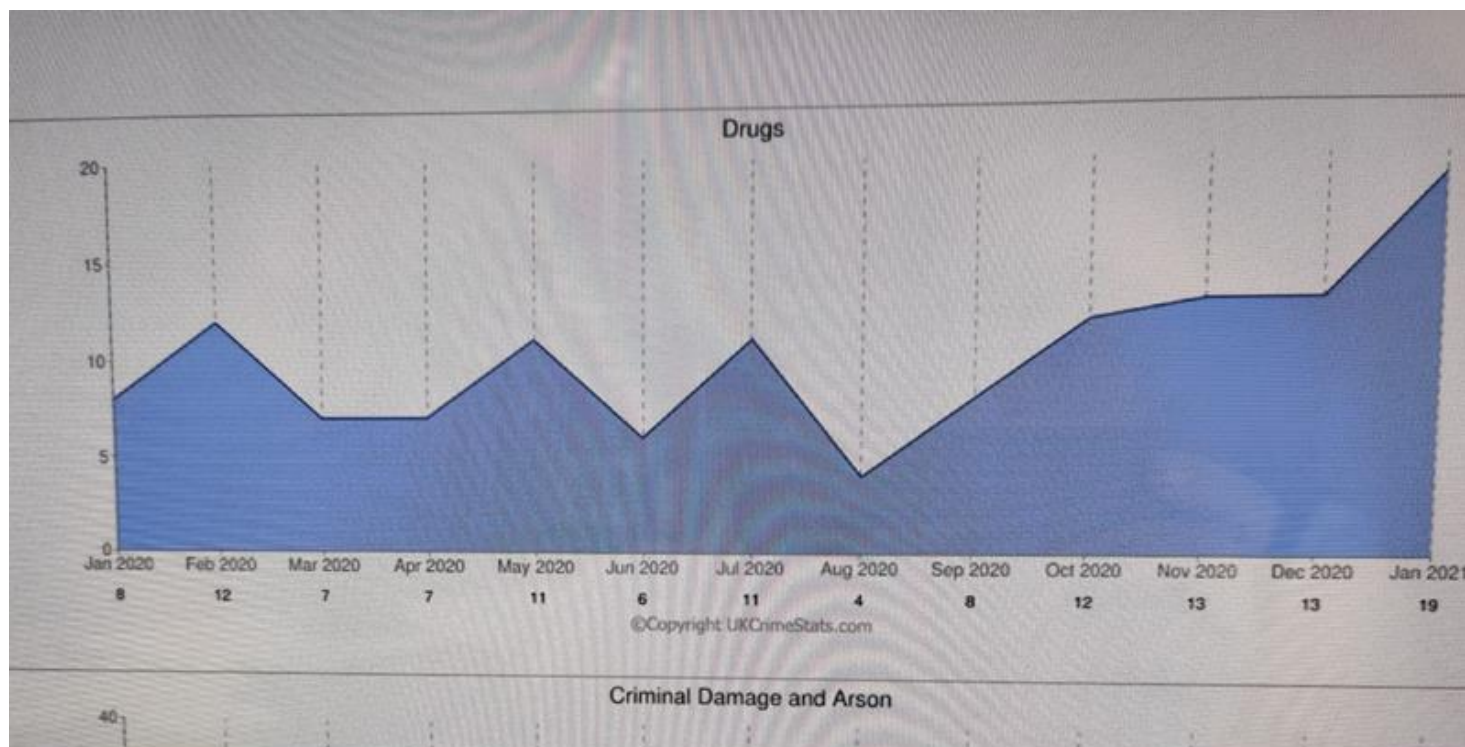
These actually premises have historically been a haven for crime and disorder. Previously when gambling was conducted by CORALS, it attracted the sale of drugs within the premises. (see image)



This area of Walsall town center, with its many takeaways and fast food, is a night time area of the town center, where young and vulnerable people who favor late night takeaways could easily be harmed or exploited by gambling running throughout the night.

It is the WMTA’s opinion that to grant an all night gambling venue at this location would be counterproductive to the mental health and well-being of citizens of Walsall.

Walsall, like many other towns has a high drug problem. (see image)



To grant a license for all night gambling at this location, which historically was a drug den would be a grave mistake, and we would ask that the licencing committee refuse the application.

Peter Kumar (vice chairman)  
Representing the opinions of the market traders of Walsall.  
WMTA