

APPENDIX 8

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My name is Dan O'Brien and I currently hold the position of Assistant Vice-Principal, Behaviour and Welfare at Copley Academy in Stalybridge. As part of my position, I wish to submit a representation in relation to a current Review Application for Jit's Super Shop, located at 21 Market Street, Stalybridge.

The academy has been made aware of students who have been using the shop to purchase single cigarettes whilst underage. This has raised a concern for the health and wellbeing of students as these purchased cigarettes have then been resold within the wider school community and amongst the student body. This poses a serious risk to the health of those young people and the academy wished to protect them from future harm.

Further to this, concerns have been raised about the possibility of alcohol being sold to underage children from the aforementioned store. This has is an obvious further concern because of the impact on health and the possibility of increasing crime and disorder within the local community. Students have been witnessed to congregate within the vicinity of the store and a student has been caught buying cigarettes from the store by Police.

Ultimately, the academy wishes to submit the representation in the hope that a review will help prevent the risk of crime and public disorder within the local community.

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