**Subject:** Please Refuse 24/7 Gambling Licence – 39 Church Road, Ashford TW15

Dear Licensing Team,

As a parent of two children who attend school near Ashford High Street, I will be directly affected by this application.

Children pass this location daily. A gambling venue so visibly placed in a family shopping area creates unacceptable risks of exposure and normalisation of gambling to young people.

This application also risks drawing in vulnerable adults, including those already struggling with addiction or financial hardship. A 24/7 venue increases the likelihood of harm, particularly in the late-night and early-morning hours when supervision is weakest.

I therefore object under the licensing objective of **protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling**. If granted, I request hours are capped at daytime/evening only.

Sincerely,
[Name / Address / Postcode]