

UPGRADE NOT DEGRADE REDHILL

14/1/04

Resident for 20 years

Reference – Renewal
Pillow Talk Sex Shop
Brighton Road
Redhill
Surrey

OBJECTION LETTER

Dear Sirs,

I have read the article about Pillow Talk Sex Shop in Brighton Road is applying for a renewal of its licence. My Family and I object to its re-licensing on the grounds:-

- 1 Redhill is portrayed as being upmarket enterprising town which encourages many different types of people to live and work into the Borough.

This kind of sex shop could encourage a Soho type “Red Light District” where prostitution and drugs could end up, London is trying hard to move its bad Soho image into Redhill town, and so bring crime to this area.

2. Redhill could be “downgraded” to a cheap dirty smutty area which could encourage wrong types as in 1, to move in “gradually and without thought” to other peoples wishes.
3. The sex shop gives the impression that it offers a service but this should be kept to mail order catalogues in the privacy of ones home. What the shop actually does is, it degrades Redhill, as a Town. It also degrades women younger women and these young girls who may think that they are simply sex objects as portrayed in some Soho nightclubs, when in fact we should be encouraging our younger generation to think more highly of themselves. In such an environment it does not set a good example to our young people who have more than likely moved on from 1800 c and that they would be preferred to be respectable bunch of young ladies who seek a normal marriage partner – their Husband!
4. There was once a sex shop in Earlswood (Victoria Road) which closed down after loss of interest, but it is time Redhill is put back on the map as a “cleaner brighter place to live” rather than a dirty smutty place to live.

ANNEX 3

5. Young people – next generation coming up would probably like to see more choice shops, clothing food bars. Entertainment for young people without worry about druggies, prostitution and crime in the area.
6. I have a daughter who is now married. This type of shop actually is offensive to the women. Is this the type of environment we want our younger daughters to live in? What would they be thinking about such shops? How would they view themselves as girls, young ladies/women?
7. Redhill's future is bright and is improving. Let Redhill compete with such places as Crawley mall where their shop types are very good and it is all under cover – or even Croydon Whitgift Centre where they have a bigger selection of clothes, food, retailers – (by the way there are too many mobile phone shops in Redhill Belfry) let's see something else apart from mobile phone shops and Pillow Talk Sex Shop. UPGRADE REDHILL, Redhill must change for the better or it will go on a decline and end up like London Soho. It's RedHILL not RedLIGHT District.

Yours sincerely