

Edwyndale Cottage  
Bilston  
Roslin  
Midlothian  
EH25 9SQ  
05/11/14

Resources Directorate HMO  
Midlothian House  
Buccleuch Street  
Dalkeith  
EH22 1DN

### **H.M.O – 3 Bilston Cottages**

Dear Mr Attack,

My husband and I wish to object to Mr Neil Brown's application to convert 3 Bilston Cottages, Bilston into a house of multiple occupation.

The last time Mr Brown ran the premises as such, there was a constant police presence at the buildings, a lot of noise by day and night and a lot of unsavoury characters hanging about the area with nothing being done by the owners to alleviate the problem.

The Browns blatantly ignored a direct order from the Council to have a warden on the premises overnight. Despite many objections from local people and the police at a meeting in December 2012, their last application was granted because of the "they might sue us if we don't" attitude of one of the committee members. My husband actually heard this being said to the convenor of the meeting by one of the committee members before the application was granted. This does not instil much confidence in the decision making process if this is an example of how decisions are made.

We would strongly urge you not to grant an HMO licence for the premises in Bilston to Mr Brown. We do not want a repeat of the problems, as mentioned in paragraph two.

We apologise for the late submission of this objection but we were only informed of the addition of number 3 Bilston Cottages today.



**John S. Innes**



**Joy Innes-Greig**