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Subject: [Ext]Blight at State/High

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Honorable Members of the Newburyport City Council,

My wife, young son, and I moved to 108 State Street on June 5th, 2020 from Harlem NYC. We moved for a variety of reasons but the most pressing reason was our son's safety. Needless to say, Harlem and Newburyport are very different places but the abandoned gas station reminded me of some of the issues we faced in Harlem. I've seen hypodermic needles in the overgrown gardens along State. I've watched on numerous occasions (from my porch directly across the street) two cars pull into the gas station have some sort of exchange through the car windows and leave in separate directions - this could be nothing but who knows. Regardless, I don't want to have to worry about what is happening at any abandoned property in our beloved town.

Please help end this blight as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Patrick Fallon

108 State Street, Newburyport