## Remember to support your local businesses this Christmas

With fierce competition and online shopping platforms gaining popularity, many small businesses have experienced hard times over the last few years and a few have been forced to close up shop. But these closures are not without consequences, as local shops help create a neighbourhood's culture and atmosphere.

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