

Appendix B

Steadman, Melanie

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Subject: [UNCLASSIFIED] Objection to application for licence

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Mel,

Just a quick email regarding the Caste Pizza Grill.

The applicant is looking to provide late night refreshment, cooking on the premises until 2.30am, with food being delivered to the customers by car.

The Council has produced a supplementary planning document in relation to this kind of activity which identifies the potential impacts of this kind of activity - https://www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/sites/default/files/IMCE/Planning/Planning_Policy/NonLocal/Hotfood%20takeaways%20SPG.pdf. This identifies the potential impacts of such an activity and the Council would usually expect an activity of this kind, in this kind of location, to close by 11pm (10.30pm on a Sunday) unless the applicant can satisfy the council that no nuisance would be caused.

I have visited the applicant and reviewed the operations there. The kitchen is served by an extraction system which discharges at low level, has no silencers fitted and is not odour abatement plant installed.

There are two flats above the proposed hot food takeaway. One is occupied by the applicant and the other is currently vacant. The premises extends under the second flat, and the fridges/freezers and lavatory are in a room below the second flat. No information has been supplied regarding the construction of the ceiling/floor and there is a potential for noise transmission from the take away to the flat at a time when the occupants would be attempting to rest, or sleep. I have attempted to obtain details of the construction and potential future occupancy of the flat from Aspire but, as yet, no information has been provided by them.

The flat is also likely to be adversely affected by noise and odours from the kitchen ventilation system. The applicant was advised as to how to address the noise and odours but indicated that the cost of these control measures would be prohibitive.

The applicant indicates that a single delivery vehicle will operate from the premises and will park upon the `car park` to the front of the takeaway. This is directly below the second flat at the premises and it is likely that the occupants would be subjected to engine noise from the delivery vehicles arriving and leaving, car doors banging and the delivery driver entering and leaving the premises. This would be at times that the occupants would be attempting to rest, or sleep. Alternative control measures were discussed with the applicant during my visit but they do not intend to apply these.

Other residential premises are located in close proximity and no other premises in the locality would be operating after early evening. Additionally, the road network is not particularly busy in the evening, or night time period, and so background noise levels are unlikely to mask noise from the operation of the premises. It is therefore considered that these other residential premises may be adversely affected by the operation of a hot food takeaway in this locality.

Given the above, the Environmental Health Department must object to the application as there is a potential for public nuisance to arise from noise and odours associated with the operation.

Regards,

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