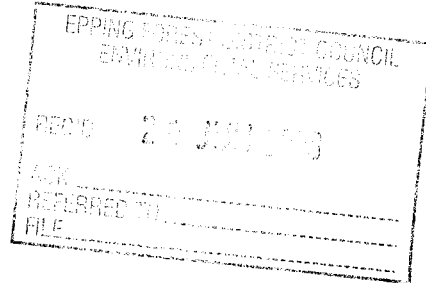


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Chief Environmental Health Officer
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Dear Sir

Station Dry Cleaners, Station Approach, Loughton

I understand that the District Council has received an application under the Licensing Act, 2003 for a licence to allow the use of these premises for hot-food takeaway purposes until 11 pm on Mondays to Thursdays and 1 am the following day on Fridays, Saturdays and Sunday nights.

The Council will know, I am sure, that Station Approach, the Station car park and the adjoining Sainsbury's car park are places where anti-social behaviour is commonplace, and that people living nearby are regularly kept awake or are wakened by noise made by people in those areas in the late evening and at night.

For the most part, the noise comprises of people driving cars and motor bikes around the car parks, along Station Approach and around the roundabout at the entrance to Station Approach, with engines revving and tyres squealing; the loud playing of radios and music players in those cars; the repeated sounding of vehicle horns; people shouting at or to one another; and drunken singing of various kinds.

The area has been the subject of special police attention over the last few years and was, until recently, less noisy than it was. However, in the last two months, the situation has deteriorated again, to the point that people in this house have been wakened by late-night noise from the area on four nights in the last seven by deliberately noisy anti-social behaviour.

The opening of these premises after 10 pm for the sale of takeaway food will bring extra people to this area, many of them in vehicles, and will encourage people to hang around in the car parks and in Station Approach, some in cars and some no doubt pedestrians, waiting for their purchases to be cooked and then afterwards eating their purchases. This can reasonably be expected to result in public nuisance and criminal and disorderly behaviour of the kind set out in the third paragraph of this letter, contrary to objectives (a) and (c) in Section 4 (2) of the Licensing Act.

I am therefore writing on behalf of the three members of the household at this address to ask the Council to refuse the application outright, for the reasons set out above. I would be grateful if you let me know when and where this application will be considered by a Council committee.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Jeater". The signature is written in a cursive style with some loops and flourishes.

David Jeater