

Licensing Authority
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Our Ref:

Date: 20th February 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Application for a Premises Licence Review
Express Kebabs, 171 South Street, Romford, Essex, RM1 1PS**

I understand that a Premises Licence Review of the above address has been requested by Mr. Craig Yhnell.

I should like to make a written representation IN SUPPORT OF THE REVIEW as an interested person in my capacity as Ward Councillor for Romford Town Ward, the electoral ward in which lies 171 South Street.

I have been shown by Mr. Yhnell his video recordings and written descriptions of anti-social behaviour at Express Kebabs and consider that it fails to comply with the following Licensing Objectives:

- the prevention of crime and disorder;
- the prevention of public nuisance.

Among the incidents of **repeated anti-social behaviour** shown by the videos are customers outside the shop, making **noise**, including shouting, swearing and fighting, the latter being clearly a **threat to community safety**. Often, this has happened in the early hours of the morning, when the residents of the flats above in Station Parade are trying to sleep. I understand that Mr. Yhnell has had to involve the **police**. He has written a number of times to **report** the incidents and to complain to Havering Council and, as his letters say, the disruption is so bad that his sleep is regularly disturbed. Also, the times on the videos

show that the kebab shop has been open till after 4.00 a.m., **breaching** the terms of its licence.

I should like to request that these points are given serious consideration in the reviewing of the Premises Licence for Express Kebabs. Indeed, given its proximity to the flats in Station Parade and other flats in South Street and Victoria Road, and its potential as a magnet for late-night drinkers, I would question whether, in 2007, it was appropriate to have given the licence at all.

I have made this written representation within the timescale noted on the Notice of Application for Review, between the dates of 25th January 2020 and 21st February 2020 inclusive.

Yours faithfully,



Councillor Judith Holt
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Romford Town Ward Councillor