# **Licensing Sub-Committee**

<u>Appendix 3</u> - Representations

Mr P Jones
Public Protection
London Borough of Havering
Mercury House
Mercury Gardens
Romford RM1 3SL

Your ref: PJJ/012205

BECEWED

17 Fairholme Avenue Gidea Park Essex RM2 5UP

26 November 2012

Dear Mr Jones,

Licensing Act 2003 – Premises Licence Application Turkish Mangal 160 Balgores Lane, RM2 6BS

We wish to object to the granting of an alcohol licence to the above premises or indeed to any other café/takeaway premises in that parade of shops nearby.

Our reasons are the granting of such a licence would attract drinkers and possibly drug dealers to the area through the day and late into the night. This would increase the risk of rowdyism and nuisance factor to the area on the precinct outside this café/takeaway.

Apart from the local residents and commuters walking to and from the nearby station past Turkish Mangal there are at least 3 schools nearby – Squirrels Heath primary, Frances Bardsley Girls and Royal Liberty and their children would arguably be put at greater risk. This is a residential and not a night club area.

The bars in Romford and pubs nearby are better designed to service the drinkers and they often have security to police their premises. This café would be unlikely to provide an adequate level of security for those in the immediate area.

This café/takeaway already has tables and chairs outside their premises (not that we can ever recollect being consulted about this from the planning viewpoint) and we think it would be difficult to stop people drinking outside on the precinct.

If you grant such a licence in order to compete there are at least 3 other café/takeaways nearby that might feel obliged to ask for a similar licence. The adverse impact of this on the local area for residents would be unreasonable regarding increased risk to their safety.

Yours sincerely,

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From:

Licensing

Sent: To: Subject: 30 November 2012 11:53
Paul Jones; Paul Campbell
FW: Licence Representation

From: Ian Mercer [mailto:ian.f.mercer@gmail.com]

**Sent:** 30 November 2012 11:46 **To:** Licensing; Paul Jones **Subject:** Licence Representation

To London Borough of Havering

Homes, Housing and Public Protection

Mercury House RM1 3SL

licensing@havering.gov.uk

paul.jones@havering.gov.uk

Re: Application for a premises licence for

Turkish Mangal

160 Balgores Lane RM2 6BS

We object to the granting of a licence for this premises.

Public nuisance: a licence will create opportunity for further public nuisance in the area and a return to what we had some years ago, with noise nuisance, and broken glass and food waste on pavements.

Residential amenity: a licence here would continue a long-term trend towards increased noise, litter and anxiety for residents in walking past an area where people gather for 'socialising'.

Public safety from the point of view of health: the attraction of further people into the area in the evening for eating and take-away food will attract even more rats into the area. Take-away residual food rubbish, including that thrown from cars in Fairholme avenue, is now a big problem. This will increase if more people are attracted to the premises by drink being available late at night, adding to waste left on pavements.

We do not wish the Council to aggravate an already-worsening situation by granting such a licence.

Ian and Carol Mercer

3 Fairholme Avenue

Romford RM2 5UP

Nigel Sheppard

5 Fairholme Avenue

Romford RM2 5UP



Williams Butchers Mr R . J. LURTON 168 Balgores Lane, Romford, RM2 6BS 28<sup>TH</sup> November 2012

Dear Sir / Madam,

I write to you in reply to your letter, reference PJJ/012205, with regards to 160 Balgores Lane, (Turkish Mangal) and the premises licence application.

I openly oppose this application for multiple reasons.

The first reason is due to the anti social behaviour that by having an alcohol licence and late night opening hours would bring. This will cause obvious problems and disruptions to the area.

Above the rows of shops are flats and these are all occupied by families. The area as a whole is residential and this is not acceptable for the families to put up with the rowdiness that alcohol brings to the area, along with the groups of youths.

Along with the above, comes crime, such as graffiti, criminal damage, littering, all of which will cause a strain on the residents and both the public service and yourselves, the council.

The unit itself is supposed to be a restaurant but after a visit from the council itself, it was found that takeaway is now their main primarily role. They informed the council that they were applying for a change of use to takeaway – yet the first thing they apply for is for an alcohol licence? This speaks volumes for the clear and present lack of regard and respect to the law and the councils.

If an alcohol licence us granted, for onsite drinking, they are already abusing their terms of agreement – including their trading hours, what is to stop them from selling the alcohol for takeaway?

The noise from the people visiting the kebab unit in the early hours after consuming alcohol on premises is going to increase, this again putting a strain on the residents in the area. Even if alcohol is not served to the people visiting the unit, the anti social times that the unit will be open will generally generate noise where the youths and customers wait for their food to be cooked and served.

Along this parade of shops, there is no immediate parking for people to visit the kebab unit, thus causing more problems for criminal activity with people parking illegally in order to visit the kebab unit. This unit is going to attract all the wrong kind of people to the area.

I cannot stress enough how much this application is a bad idea.

Yours sincerely,

Williams Butchers, Mr R. J. Lurton

From:

Paul Jones

Sent:

03 December 2012 09:08

To:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

FW: regarding premises lincence application PJJ/012205

Paul FYI Paul

## Kind regards

#### Paul Jones

Paul Jones | Licensing Officer London Borough of Havering | Public Protection Mercury House, Mercury Gardens, Romford, RM1 3SL t: 01708 432692

From: Licensing

Sent: 03 December 2012 08:59

To: Paul Jones

Subject: FW: regarding premises lincence application PJJ/012205

**From:** David Carpenter [mailto:dobon@talktalk.net]

Sent: 02 December 2012 20:53

To: Licensing

Subject: regarding premises lincence application PJJ/012205

Dear Mr. Jones,

I am writing to object to the premises licence application PJJ/012205 for Turkish Mangal, 160 Balgores Lane, Romford, RM2 6RS

I live at 1 Fairholme Avenue which runs along side the back entrance to the above mentioned property.

Already there is a problem with late night noise/nuisance from both staff at the back and customers at the front of this property, as well as multiple vehicles from both staff and customers parked will total disregard for local residents. The surrounding area is predominately residential and the extension of the opening hours of this premises along with an alcohol licence will prolong the late night noise and increase the public nuisance. A notice asking customers to be quiet and not loiter will not improve this problem! The staff at present do not care about this problem and in fact add to it, I cannot see this situation changing.

The application has been written by a licensing consultant who knows what to write but if approved who will insure all the stated action will be implemented and adhered to both at the beginning and in the long term?

I cannot think of a good reason why a kebab shop that has some seating needs to sell alcohol. The premises was opened as a cafe which has been turned into a kebab shop by the same owners who now want to sell alcohol. If approved what do they want to do next? I do not feel this kind of establishment is needed or wanted in this area.

Yours Sincerely David Carpenter 14 Fairholme Ave Gidea Park Romford Essex RM2 5UU

To Whom It May Concern:

**Reference:** PJJ/012205 Licensing Act 2003 – Premises License Application, Turkish Mangal 160 Balgores Lane, Romford, RM2 6BS

As residents of the local area we wish to object to the license for the about premises to have not only a alcohol license but also extended hours to 2.30am Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The local residents are confused by the Café/Restaurant/Take Away. When the shop first opened the local residents was under the impression that this was to be a café opened from 8.00am – 7.00pm and not to be serving Take Away. From day one it was opened from 7.00am and serving take away also selling soft drink that are clearly labeled 'not for resale'. It has now been turned into a Take Away opening until 12.00pm at night and the application we have now received states that he wishes to sell alcohol to patrons who have a sit down meal.

Mr Kaya has made many promises in his application. As a resident we have seen him not take notice of his current restrictions on his business and are unsure as to the promises that he has made in his current application.

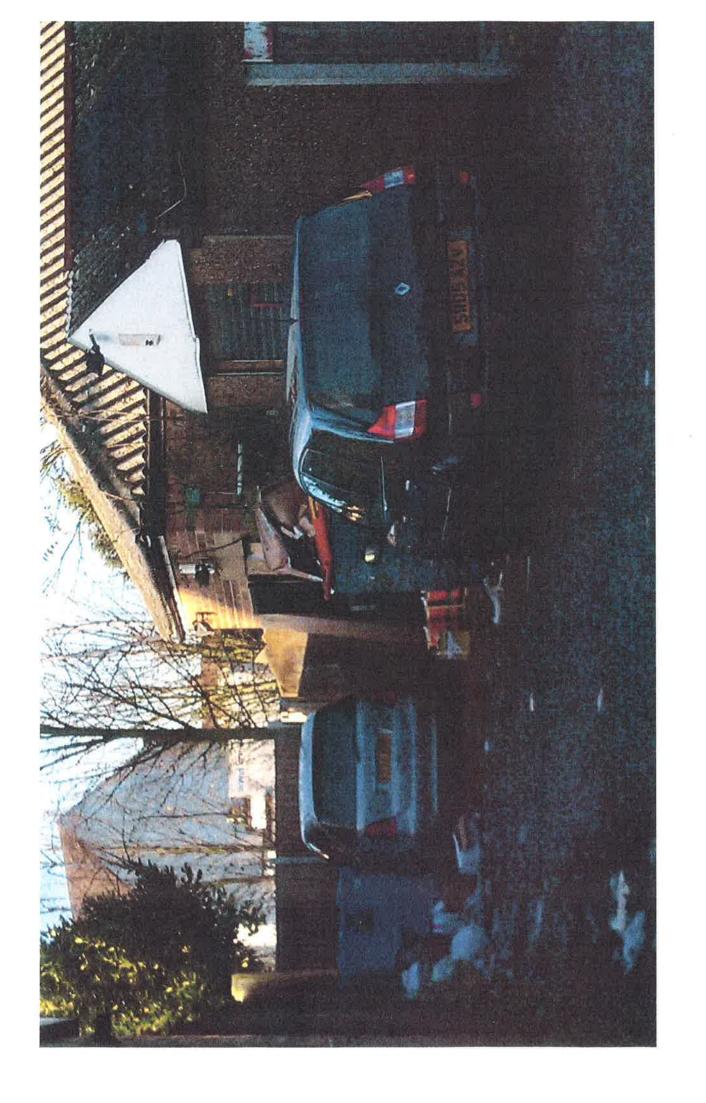
We also have a take away selling the same food as the Turkish Mangle situated only approx. 40 yards that is open until late over the weekend period.

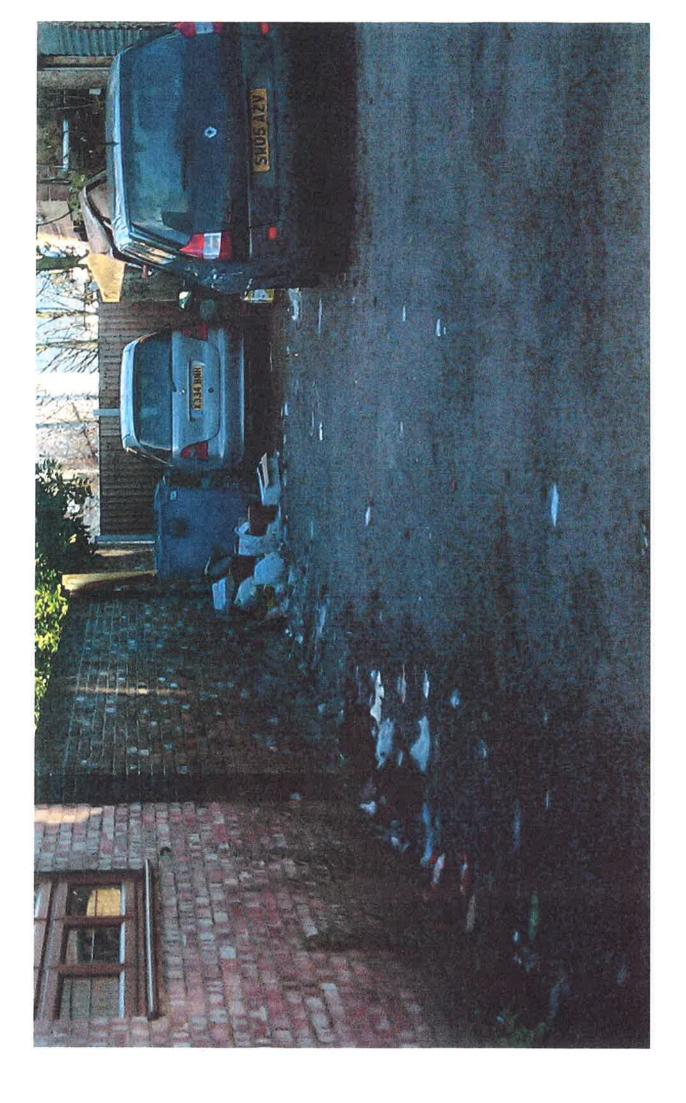
#### **Preventing Crime and Disorder**

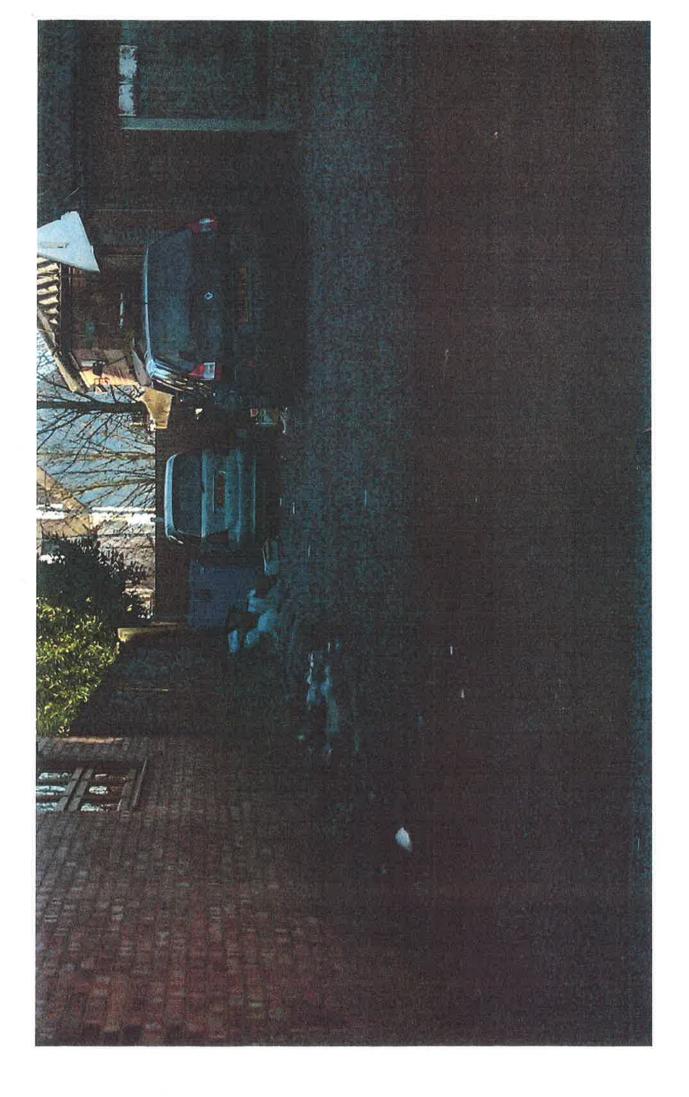
Over the last couple of years the local resident have had issue with Anti Social Behavior from groups hanging around the station and outside the local shops, the local police and PSCO have worked with the shop keepers to disband this behavior. We already have a high number of young people using Fairholme Ave as a cut through with excessive noise from Romford during a Friday and Saturday night evening and do not wish this to increase due to a late night food venue.

### Preventing public nuisance

Parking for a restaurant/café/takeaway is also limited Fairholme Ave already has issue with Parking due to the station although there is limited parking on the bridge we do not feel that there would be adequate parking for this and with public transport not running







From:

Paul Jones

Sent:

03 December 2012 09:07

To:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

FW: PJJ/012205 - Representation with Regards to Turkish Mangal Licence Application

Paul FYI Paul

Paul Jones | Licensing Officer London Borough of Havering | Public Protection Mercury House, Mercury Gardens, Romford, RM1 3SL t: 01708 432692

From: Stuart [mailto:stuarts1@gmail.com]

Sent: 01 December 2012 13:17

**To:** Licensing **Cc:** Paul Jones

Subject: Ref: PJJ/012205 - Representation with Regards to Turkish Mangal Licence Application

Stuart Brown 101a Balgores Lane Gidea Park Essex

Dear Mr Jones,

 $Re-Ref-PJJ/012205 - {\scriptstyle \underline{\text{http://www.havering.gov.uk/Documents/12205 Turk \ Mang.pdf}}}$ 

Licensing Act 2003 – Premises Licence Application Turkish Mangal 160 Balgores Lane Romford RM2 6BS

I am a resident who lives close to this takeaway and wish to make some comments with regards to denying this application both to serve alcohol and extend the opening hours of the premises to 2.30 am on most days of the week.

This is essentially a Kebab Takeaway which also happens to have some chairs and does double-duty as a café during the day.

It is not a restaurant in the meaning under which most people would understand it, and serving alcohol is not appropriate for either a café or a takeaway (which this primarily is).

It is located in the middle of a residential area and any decision to grant an extension of hours or having groups of people consuming alcohol until late at night will inevitably cause further public nuisance, noise and disorder to local residents.

It is also very likely to increase the crime and disorder in the Gidea Park area as government statistics have shown that "Alcohol related crime featured in over 70% of Crime and Disorder Strategies".

Reference - http://www.ias.org.uk/resources/factsheets/crime\_disorder.pdf

**To quote the report:** "In regard to the offences committed `under the influence', the implication is that they would either not have happened or would not have reached the level of seriousness that they actually did if the offender had been sober."

This is especially true when you consider that one of the central tenets of Havering Council's new draft licensing strategy is to "Reduce alcohol consumption in our town centres" (reference). That is hardly aided by granting new alcohol licenses to takeaways in the middle of residential areas in Gidea Park.

The Turkish Mangal Takeaway is also located near to a road-bridge which is generally blindsided by cars parking to the sides and a sharp turn, and so the alcohol element of this should be dismissed purely on the grounds of public safety. It is also located opposite a main intersection road where turns are essentially blind, and so there is a double cause for concern. The likelihood of injury being caused to patrons from being the victim of car accidents caused by being under the influence of alcohol, near such busy blind-sided roads is very real. Providing access to alcohol right next to a busy road-bridge that is blindsided to traffic is clearly a public safety concern.

The Turkish Mangal Takeaway is located three doors along from a Funeral Parlour, and serving alcohol also does not seem appropriate given its location.

The Turkish Mangal Takeaway has tables and chairs outside, so any late night rowdy behaviour is already likely to spill out onto the streets, and that is certainly not helped by either serving alcohol, or extending the opening hours to a time of 2.30am. Both of which will inevitably cause public nuisance to the residents of the area.

Having people loiter around the area until 2.30am will clearly create more of a public nuisance for local residents. It will also create considerably more rubbish as the takeaways are eaten and then the packaging discarded away from the premises (something that is already noticeable).

The current licensing times are more than sufficient for the primary use that these premises are put to. Namely, as a Kebab Takeaway, and there is simply no need to extend them.

In fact, I would ask that the council enforce the current license more closely to ensure compliance with current provisions.

The Takeaway itself is brightly illuminated and there is inevitably a certain amount of noise and public nuisance that comes from such a business. Both in terms of people gathering inside and outside the premises, and in terms of the equipment that is being used. It is unreasonable, given that this is located in the heart of a residential area, to extend this beyond the current licensing hours (which are already very long).

The extraction fan that is used for example adds 52 decibels of noise (Application Number P0666.10), and to force local residents to listen to extra noise and disturbance both from such equipment and people loitering around until 2.30am is not in keeping with a goal of preventing public nuisance, or the inevitable crime and disorder that has been proved (see above) to follow from people who are under the influence of alcohol.

From:

Paul Campbell

Sent:

03 December 2012 13:35

To:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

FW: Turkish Mangal Restaurant Licensing Request

From: Licensing

**Sent:** 30 November 2012 08:32

To: Paul Jones

Subject: FW: Turkish Mangal Restaurant Licensing Request

**From:** Pamela Scolding [mailto:pamelascolding@btinternet.com]

**Sent:** 29 November 2012 16:57

To: Licensing

Subject: Turkish Mangal Restaurant Licensing Request

I strongly object to the above named premises being given a Licence to trade until 2.30.am on Thursday's to Saturday's, Due to the fact it could have an impact on Public Nuisance in the area, in the early hours of the Morning i.e. People arriving the worse for wear either by car or on foot, creating a lot of noise and mess.

Yours faithfully, P.A.Scolding (Mrs)

As requested my Home Address. 7, Severn Avenue, Gidea Park, RM2 6EA.

Pamela Scolding (Mrs)