APPENDIX 4

Representations

28/3/63

Thank you for forwarding this application to us. We Councillors have received a vast number of objections to this food van in the time that it has held a permit for its present site. I'm happy for the van to be parked in a car park to the rear of the high street but not to be cooking hot food outside the Café Nero. It regularly blocks seating in the area, drops grease on the ground and emits strong smells. There is presently a pizza van to the rear of Darsham Walk and I would be very happy for this food van to be placed near to it.

Emily Culverhouse Parish Councillor - Chesham (Townsend) Buckinghamshire Council Member for Chess Valley Mobile: 07540 410130 Parish email: <u>ECulverhouse@chesham.gov.uk</u>

From: Georgina.Fernandez <<u>Georgina.Fernandez@chesham.gov.uk</u>>
Sent: 20 April 2023 14:48
To: Planning Mailbox: Planning <<u>planning.csb@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</u>>
Cc: Francis Holly <<u>fholly@chesham.gov.uk</u>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kebab Van Application Chesham High Street

I am passing on comments with regards to the application to continue street trading in Chesham High Street by the Kebab Van from:

Councillor Francis Holly who objects to this application:-

- on the grounds that is it situated too closely to the War Memorial
- in support of the many local businesses and residents who are opposed to it.

28/3/23

Dear Licensing,

Councillor Jane MacBean has kindly brought the above mentioned renewal application to our attention.

I can only refer back to my previous objections to this scruffy looking Kebab Van, being positioned in he middle of our town. When it was only on the Broadway on the Market Days, it wasn't so bad, but now it seems to have become a permanent fixture and detracting from our lovely town.

I'd be amazed if this is popular with our proper Bricks & Mortar eateries, especially the Lebanese restaurant which is opposite. It never seems to be busy. Is it really a viable business?

It has also impacted on Café Nero, not being able to have tables & chairs there, like they did in 2020.

The Broadway is one of the most photographed areas of our pretty town centre, there are alot of folks who try to look after the War Memorial area and then to have that eyesore in the background, this van just totally detracts from the image which we are trying to portray!

It is not a very good advert for healthy eating now is it! Over the last few months the comments I have been receiving from my customers is how scruffy Chesham High Street is looking, with the increase of litter, being the main concern.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours hopeful

Hazel Hopkinson Local Resident & Business Owner Blue Haze Arts & Crafts 2 Church Street, Market Square, Chesham, Buckinghamshire, HP5 1HT

From: Jane Macbean (Cllr) <Jane.MacBean@buckinghamshire.gov.uk>
Sent: 18 April 2023 21:10
To: Georgina.Fernandez <Georgina.Fernandez@chesham.gov.uk>
Cc: Nick Southworth <<u>nsouthworth@chesham.gov.uk</u>>
Subject: The pedestrian only area near the Chesham War Memorial.

Objection email highlighting highways concerns but references the problems the kebab ban exacerbates.

Dear Jane,

I would like to bring your attention to the flouting in this pedestrian only area.

There is a sign although faded at the east side (there used to be two signs) and also there is a sign within the area (see photos) One of the problems is made worst by the food wagon with drivers blatantly parking in the area some even in front of the sign. Most days there are lots of children running across.

Surely the answer would be to install a clearer sign with a camera. It's a no brainer, once they got a £60 fine they wouldn't do it any more. Plus revenue for the cash stopped council.

But the paramount solution is to make it a safe area and we don't want to wait until someone gets run over! There was a woman hit by a taxi, albeit on the other side a couple of weeks ago.

I look forward to your comments and hopefully you can remedy this area of concern.

Best wishes.

David Smallman



From: Georgina.Fernandez <<u>Georgina.Fernandez@chesham.gov.uk</u>>
Sent: 19 April 2023 10:29
To: Planning Mailbox: Planning <<u>planning.csb@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</u>>
Subject: FW: Kebab Van on The Broadway, Chesham

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed our responses for the renewal application for the Kebab van on Chesham High Street.

STREET TRADING CONSENT RENEWAL APPLICATION - CONSULTATION CHESHAM HIGH STREET

Renewal application for a mobile catering trailer to be in place at The Broadway (outside Café Nero), Chesham at the following times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 08:00 – 18:00

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL RESPONSE:

- The original license for this trading application was granted by Bucks licensing team in 2021 without consultation with Chesham Town Council.
- At the time there were many complaints from members of the public, letters of complaint to Your Chesham magazine and the Bucks Free Press.
- A number of residents asked for the license to be revoked on the basis of nonconsultation. To this request we didn't get a very strong response from the BC licensing team unfortunately and Charlie Robinson left the team shortly after we started the discussion.

Kind Regards,

Georgina Fernandez, Democratic Services Officer, Chesham Town Council

Supportive of the application

From: Parveiz Aslam paslam@chesham.gov.uk
Sent: 30 March 2023 23:04
To: Georgina.Fernandez <<u>Georgina.Fernandez@chesham.gov.uk</u>
Subject: Re: Planning Agenda & Reports

Street trading application for food van: they have brought in a trade that is well accepted by the majority with a few who object for no real reason. The High Street is quite alive as a result of them. I don't know any other who are as consistent and reliable and dedicated 6 days a week. I also know that many enjoy their lunch while school students always look forward to a snack after school . Finally, although they have become expensive due to the recent increase in food prices they are still a competitive food stall. They are also a sourced of income for us- please do not lose trade in the high street.

Parveiz

28/3/23

Dear Brian,

Market Square is a new application which is not supported my several members and residents because we'd like to encourage a more upmarket nighttime economy in that end of the High Street and Market Square is already well served when it comes to eateries.

The Kebab Van on the Broadway on the other hand is a renewal of a permit that has been on the Broadway for over a decade, and with an expanded permit post covid.

Both applications are actually in St Mary's, my ward.

I fully support the renewal of the Broadway permit. One resident and his cohort had objected strongly to the renewal of the permit the last time, but it was not the majority. There was a concerted campaign to try and get objections, which led to a meeting with officers.

I was present at said meeting when two officers came down and met with the vendor and he was promised that if there were any problems in future with the renewal of his permit, Buckinghamshire Council would relocate him to at the entrance of Star Yard car park, across from the Library.

It was also discussed that since this particular street vendor has been in Chesham for well over a decade, there is an established market he serves and we'd continue supporting him.

The Kebab van is in my ward, and Kushi Mohammed has my full support, as I'd much rather support a small business that's in business, than to push him out of business and potentially on benefits.

Kindest regards,

Wilford

Cllr Wilford L. Augustus

Deputy Mayor & Conservative Councillor, St Mary's Ward Chesham Town Council Buckinghamshire, England