

21/7/23

Dear whomever it may concern,

I am writing regarding the late night licence request of TJs, a takeaway located at 341 Kirkstall Road, LS4 2HD with concern about the prospect of their late night licence.

Living in such close proximity to the establishment, I am concerned that obtaining this licence will cause disruption at unfavourable hours of weeknights, conflicting with local residents' working schedules as well as disturbing sleep. The litter coming from TJs is becoming a frequent issue, too, with food and branded food packaging often dropped outside my home and on some occasions, having blown over into my front garden. As such, I am also becoming increasingly concerned about vermin in the area, having sighted several rats in my front garden. Previous anti-social and disruptive incidents from people associated with TJs (either directly or indirectly) have already become an issue for myself, my partner and my neighbours. These incidents have included:

- Frequent use of quad bikes in the area, creating noise disturbances
- Setting fireworks off in the early hours of the morning
- Loud shouting
- Road blockages due to several vehicles parked outside at a time for long periods on an already congested Kirkstall Road.
- Dangerous driving from said cars / frequent revving of engines
- Frequent littering
- Loitering in neighbouring areas, including outside my home and in the car park adjacent (Greenhow Walk)

I understand part of the requirements for this is litter management and CCTV, but I fear that will not aid in the anti-social nature of the staff and people associated with the establishment, given that there have already been several incidents which have disrupted the peace of the area.

I love my neighbourhood, it is a vibrant hub and microcosm of Leeds, reflecting the diverse and cooperative nature of the city. Neighbouring businesses all seem to work collaboratively to create a model of food, drink and entertainment that fits in with the best interests and priorities of residents, and it would be such a shame to alter this tone with a late-night licence. I therefore must object to the application.

Should you wish to discuss any of the matters in further detail, I would happily oblige.

My contact details are:

Yours,