



Loughton & Great Holm Parish Council

Community Centre,
87 Kensington Drive,
Great Holm,
Milton Keynes,
MK8 9AY

Telephone: 07591 236 263

Email: parish.clerk@loughtonandgreatholm-pc.gov.uk

16 June 2020

Licensing Team
Milton Keynes Council
1 Saxon Gate East
Milton Keynes
MK9 3EJ

To Deborah Jones,

Re: Shenley Kebabs, Street Trading Consent – An application was received by MKC on the 02/06/2020 from the above. To sell: Hot takeaway food

I am writing on behalf of Loughton and Great Holm Parish Council, who at their meeting on 15 June 2020 resolved to object to the application and request that it is refused.

Shenley Kebabs have traded from this site for some years and the Parish Council has been advised that Shenley Kebabs have repeatedly caused considerable nuisance and aggravation to a neighbouring commercial property. Shenley Kebabs reputedly disposes of waste cooking oil and other waste products from the hot food facility in the nearby environment. Litter is regularly left in the area. The surrounding environment is used for personal hygiene functions. Shenley Kebabs have been antagonistic towards the neighbouring property when challenged about the condition of the surrounding area. Shenley Kebabs have continuously complained to neighbouring businesses about their trading spot being used by parked cars which neighbouring businesses have no control over, to such an extent that the police were called last year to one incident whereby the reception staff of a neighbouring commercial property feared for their safety.

The Licensing team at Milton Keynes Council will be fully aware that Shenley Kebabs were called before the Licencing Panel last year for non-compliance of their trading terms and put on a probation period of 6 months which has since expired. The previous trading licence has also expired and this application is for a new licence under current terms.

Roebuck Way is unsuitable for an evening hot food supplier as it attracts customers from outside the area including HGV drivers that now use this area for overnight parking. Considering there are no facilities nearby, this is creating a health hazard through the local environment being used for personal hygiene functions.

The Parish Council would expect the Health and Safety Executive to monitor conditions and compliance of the catering vehicle including food storage area, cooking, serving and personal hygiene facility, and therefore this is outwith the scope of the Parish Council to comment upon.

The Knowlhill Industrial Estate is a very well-kept area serviced by a number of fast food outlets operating during the day which provides a welcome service for staff of the businesses nearby. A hot food facility operating between 17.00 – 20.00 does not provide a useful service to local businesses and attracts drive-by customers who park in the roads thus causing a further nuisance especially visiting HGV's parking overnight. This occupies valuable roadside parking spaces which could otherwise be used by staff and visitors.

There is nowhere suitable for a food outlet operating in the evening hours in the Knowlhill Industrial Estate therefore the Parish Council requests permission is refused, and looks forward to your swift response,

Yours sincerely,



Philip Compton

Parish Clerk