

# OBJECTION 1

**Stewart Broome**

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**From:** Stewart Broome  
**Sent:** 30 July 2019 12:01  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Request to run food & drink van from Haddenham Sports & Social Club

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**Categories:** Stewart

Dear Mr Broome

With regards to the above request I would just like to register my concerns:

Living so close to the Social Club we are used to noise at the weekends with parties/disco's etc and everyone who buys a house in this close has to accept that but with the van from 4-10pm 7 days a week, and particularly in the summer, we don't get a break from the noise of cars arriving, doors slamming, loud music playing and the smell of food cooking which is very strong if the wind is in the north. It can really spoil a nice sunny afternoon/evening in the garden. Admittedly, during last weeks extreme heat wave they didn't come every day which is understandable. I know these concerns won't be as relevant in the winter .

With the school's having broken up for the summer holidays I feel that will bring a new set of problems with young teenagers hanging around and the associated noise that goes with it.

We have a problem in the village with anti social behaviour with performance cars driving around late at night & with the first 'event' two weekends ago with drag racing on approach roads and simultaneous revving of engines in the village centre late into the night - my worry is that they could converge in the car park in the future as food will be available to them. I know these particular events move around from town to town but it would be a nightmare if it became a meeting point.

And finally, I did notice during the first week that there was someone working in the van with a plaster cast on his arm which is surely a health hazard when working with food.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Benton  
8 Paddock Way  
Haddenham



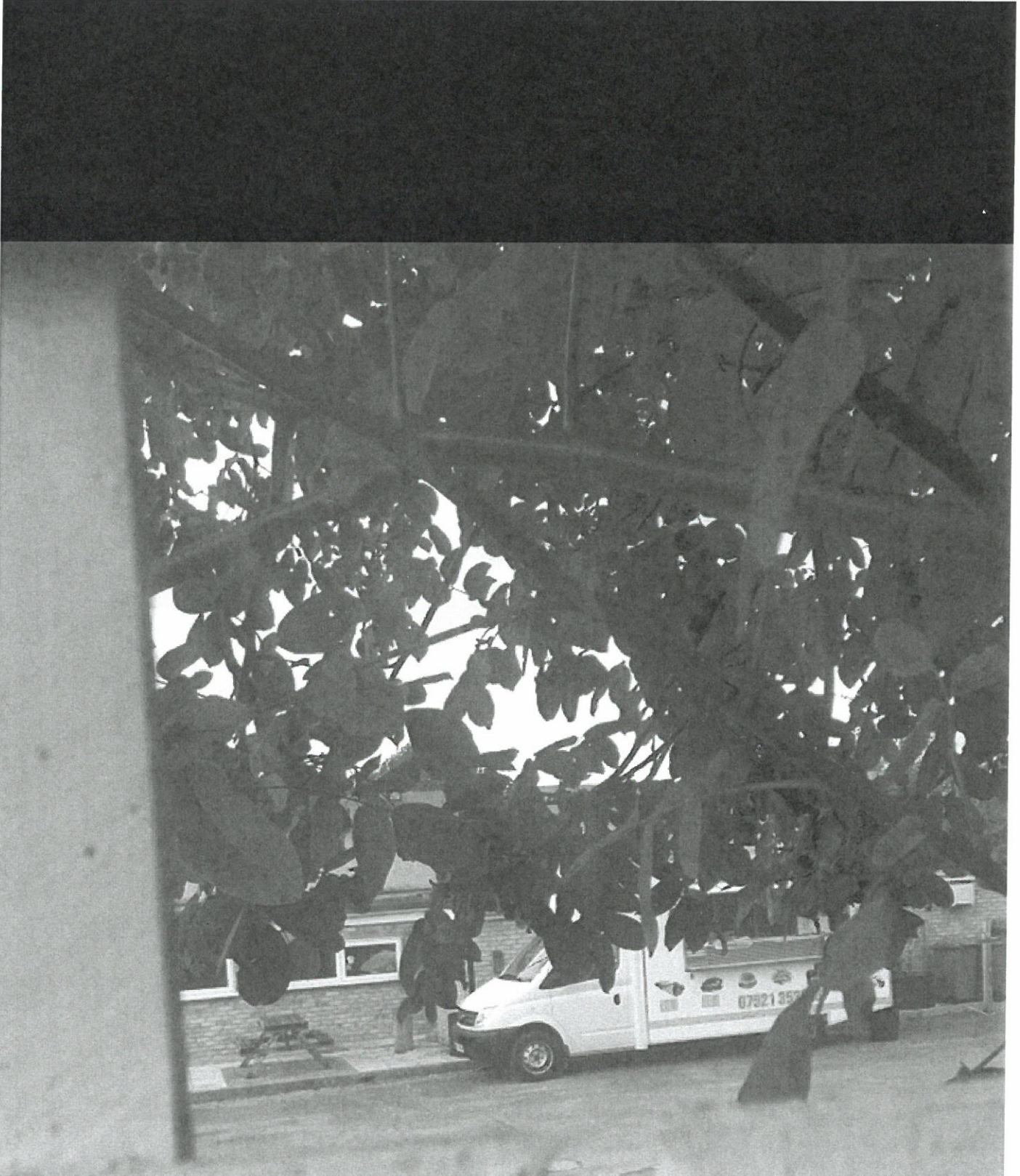
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# OBJECTION 2

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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 31 July 2019 20:31  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Proposed Street Trading - Haddenham Kebab Van  
**Categories:** Stewart







Kenneth Cooney

### Haddenham notices and events (Cambs)

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To the idiots that keep leaving waste food and litter down by the cemetery. PLEASE STOP!

Children and dogs walk down there every day. We are forever trying to stop my lab from eating junk food left behind.

There are bins there, how difficult is it to get out of your cars and put it in the bin?

Also the lady who stops and has her lunch on Chewalls Lane, I've seen you throw your junk into the hedgerow. Next time I see you do it, it will be thrown back into your car with no remorse from me as to where it lands.

You, Anne Thorpe and 25 others

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I have received your letter dated 4th July and would like it on record that I strongly object to the siting of the Kebab Van in the Social Club car park in Haddenham.

### Visibility

Please see attached picture showing the view from my garden, kitchen/dining room and of course upstairs windows. The van sits no more than 7 metres from my back fence. It is only obscured more by my neighbours overgrown tree, which of course will shed its leaves in winter, making the view of the van more clear. I have already had to raise the height of my fence due to unsociable behaviour from the social club as items being thrown into my garden.

### Noise

I have been at home for all the times the kebab van has been present. Firstly the workers do not seem to be able to speak at a normal level and with my kitchen window open I can hear every word they say. There is a constant 'whirring' noise which I can only assume is the gas or similar. I have witnessed people turn up and leave their engines on against my fence whilst they wait for their kebab, mainly the younger generation who sadly at the moment see fit to congregate in the car park. This is a noise and pollution issue.

I have witnessed people come out from the social club and buy food. As they are not allowed to eat food within the club, they are standing outside eating. Again, I appreciate I have chosen to live near the social club, but this now creates more noise closer to my home. The amount of cars coming in and out has increased again making more noise and pollution.

### Smell

This is my main concern and has actually caused me distress over the last four weeks. The smell is horrific. I can only describe it as 'chip fat like'. The first night the van was present my son who was unaware of its presence, left his coat outside. In the morning he picked it up and asked what I'd been cooking as it stank! That coat had been left over 12 hours in the fresh air after the van had left and been subjected to 6 hours of the kebab van cooking. That shows how strong the smell is.

I am having to bring my washing in at 4pm every day due to the smell. We are a family of six. I have five children I care for. One has a disability and one is a looked after child ( I am a foster carer for the local authority). I have washing out all day every day if I can, and now I am limited due to the smell. This is not

acceptable. I would also add the we have found them smell intolerable both in the garden and house. I pride myself on my home and have lived here 12 years. I keep it to a certain standard as I foster children and part of fostering means promoting a safe and healthy environment. I would not now take a child in the garden due to the smell and we cannot have our windows open, which again makes breathing easier for all and circulates fresh air. The first Saturday night the kebab was present, I don't mind admitting I was in tears in my bathroom at 1045pm, which I hasten to add he was still present. This was because the whole house stank of fat. Everyone is entitled to a clean lifestyle and should be able to sleep/ live with windows open.

The kebab van backs on to the allotments and graveyard. The smell is just as bad down there depending on the wind direction. I visit the graveyard on a regular basis as my dear friend is buried there. I do not want to smell cooking fat when I do this and I am positive anyone working on their allotment would want to either.

### Rubbish

Please see attached picture. Members of the public have already noticed the increase in litter. The bin in the carpark has been over flowing and this is with the kebab van being there four nights a week. The increase in rubbish and food being dropped will encourage vermin to the local environment. We have in the past had issues with rats in the area.

### Meeting point

The kebab van had encouraged (as above) the local adolescents to meet. As above these have been hanging around until 1pm and waking up my children who sleep at the back of the house. I have never complained to the social club about the noise before, but the noise from the club and recent events, including fights, illegal selling of alcohol and drug use are issues will become worse if the kebab van is there and every night. I have reported these to Police.

### Local Residents

The siting of the van is completely inappropriate. This is a residential area. It is worth noting two of the residents of Paddock way work at the social club/are on the committee and are unlikely to object through worry of losing their job etc. From the Facebook page I can see the van has been popular, from those who have eaten from there. But this has been a 'not on my doorstep' culture. It has been asked who would like a kebab van 7 metres from their home 7 days a week for six hours a night and no one replied in a positive manner.



The van starting at 4pm is not appropriate either. The car park is used by a private nursery and a pre school. The lighting is poor and come winter this will become a hazard for all involved.

As I have said, I have lived here for 12 years. I have just spent upwards of fifteen thousand renovating my house. My house was valued a short while ago, but an estate agent will confirm having the kebab van present for that amount of times per week, will devalue my house. I pride myself in providing a safe, healthy and happy environment for my own children and the children who come into my care via the Local Authority. This would not be possible with a kebab van effectively outside my house 7 days a week. Seven says a week is also excessive and I cannot see the need for it, nor the start time of 4pm. The van needs to be in a different location where residents aren't not affected as I am.

Please acknowledge receipt of my email,

Yours faithfully,

Charlotte Davey  
6 Paddock Way  
Haddenham  
Cb63TN.

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Open and also be able to sit in our garden, we could even smell it in our car when we went out

And as my husband is under going chemo at the present time laying in bed or sitting on the patio makes it very unpleasant for him.

We already have problems with the sewer smell from that property at times and our neighbours constant bogs we dont wish to have another smell added to it

Not very good if we wish to sell our property!

If they could position it at the end of the property facing the road I dont think it would cause such a problem.

Regards

V. Thistlethwaite

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REP: KEBAS VAN

HADDENHAM SOCIAL CLUB.

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Dear Sir

I'm writing with regards to the food, drink van that wishes to trade from the Social club car park.

While I don't want to spoil it for people if they wish to purchase something different from fish, chips or Chinese that we have in the village we do find when the wind is in a certain position we have an awful smell of stale fat coming into our property and we should be able to have our windows



**Stewart Broome**

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**From:** Suzie Dew [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 27 July 2019 18:21  
**To:** Stewart Broome  
**Cc:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Haddenham kebab van

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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**Categories:** Stewart

Dear sir,

We object to the arrival of this kebab van to the social club car park on the following grounds,  
Proximity to houses. The van is parked directly opposite our house and due to the height of the serving hatch they can look directly into all of our windows, two of them being my boys bedrooms. (I have attached a picture to show the view from my dining room, which I heard them say "she is taking a picture") I do not feel that we can use our garden with them there.  
Smell, with the hot weather we have had recently it has been difficult to have the windows and doors open due to the smell created.

Litter, we seem to have a litter problem in the village and this will not help things.

Traffic, being a social club car park the arrival of this van has increased the number of vehicles back and forth which has increased the noise and people congregating outside. The car park is used by Haddenham pre-school and Little Teds Nursery which are both still open when the van arrives so there are small children around.

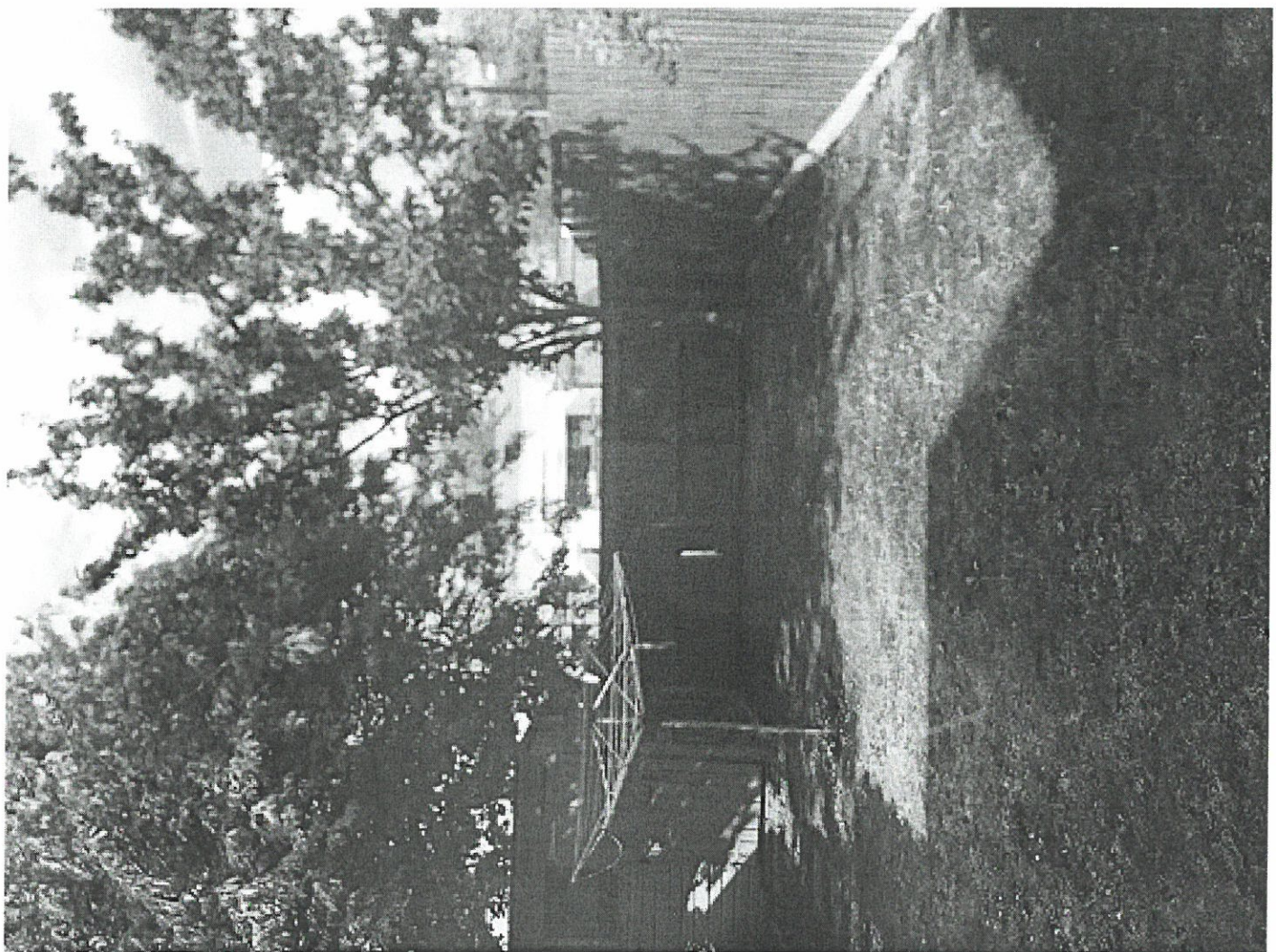
In summary we feel this is not the best place for this kebab van and strongly object to them being given a permanent permit.

Regards

Mr and Mrs C Dew











**From:** andrea@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 29 July 2019 20:55  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Fwd: neighbour response to application Chewells Lane Haddenham (2)  
**Attachments:** kebabvansmell.pdf

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apologies. resending this time with pdf attachment

----- Original Message -----

Subject: neighbour response to application Chewells Lane Haddenham  
Date: 2019-07-29 20:50  
From: <andrea@[REDACTED]>  
To: <licensing@eastcambs.gov.uk>

Dear Mr Broome

We are writing to you concerning the application for a kebab van to trade from the Social Club car park on Chewells lane, Haddenham.

The van at present has been trading Thursday to Sunday 4pm until 10pm and we understand the trader is intending on being there 7 days a week should their application be approved.

We would like the Licensing Authority to take into account

Public Safety.

The Social Club car park is already used by those using the Social Club for any reason, the pre-school, nursery and it is often used as a general overflow carpark for the village. Especially those who use the allotments or go walking nearby.

On a weekday evening between 4pm and around 6pm the nursery still has children leaving with their parents, often on foot with pushchairs.

We've seen the queue for the van stretch right across the car park and children running around the queue whilst cars are coming and going both to pick children up from nursery and to purchase food.

There is no designated walk way/pavement in the carpark and we can only imagine this risk to pedestrians is likely to be worse in the winter months when it dark by 4pm.

The van itself uses up two or three parking spaces and parking spaces are something we are very short of in Haddenham. It seems fairly counter productive to block several parking spaces with a vehicle that then has people drive to it to purchase food. Counter-productive and not very eco friendly.

We're also slightly concerned about the trader using the electricity supply from the social club which appears to be an extension cable running from the van to the building somewhere as this could present a fire hazard.

The Avoidance of Public Nuisance.

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The location the trader has chosen to trade from has brought a substantial increase in noise pollution to those who live near the Social Club.

We are used to not being able to sleep with our windows open because of live music in the club. We are resigned to the fact that drunk people don't seem to be able to get to their cars and leave the venue quickly or quietly at the end of the night but the noise has increased greatly over the last few weekends with the kebab van in residence.

The noise has increased throughout the evening both from people leaving the club doors open (so we hear the music at a greater volume) and from people socialising, drinking and eating outside around the van.

There is also the issue now of cars arriving and leaving throughout the entire evening - often leaving their engines running whilst they are served.

This blurring of 'outside' and 'inside' of the club is extremely detrimental to us as neighbours.

We believe this is not the best place for this trader to base himself in the village.

There is a fish and chip van that visits the village which parks up on the road in four or five locations one night a week. This would be, in our opinion, a better model for the van to follow as opposed to increasing and exacerbating issues that already exist in one single location.

He might also consider the car park on the Village recreation ground, further away from any residents and where he could use the electricity supply from the Sports Pavillion. This location would not have the same level of noise for local residents as it's not drawing drunk people from immediately just the other side of the door of a licensed premises towards the smell of fast food.

The other big issue we have is with the smell that issues from the van itself. It stinks. We seriously don't want the continuous smell of doner kebab meat. We are tucked right away at the end of Paddock Way with a tree and a hedge between us and the van and we can still smell it wafting across into our front garden. Closer to the van I'm told by my neighbours that the smell is a constant but further away I presume wind direction is a massive factor.

In return for your aerial photograph with a not so red and not so accurate star on it I have attached an image showing where we have smelled the van from (denoted by noses) and helpfully added a circle to show the radius from the van (represented by a little cloud of whiffiness).

Walking up and down the road we live on the smell is fairly intense most days the van is there. It's horrendous and not what one expects to have to live with in a wholly residential street. Four days a week has been bad enough and I am losing sleep over imagining what it will be like having it there every. single. day.

On the whole, above and beyond our personal issues with it -we feel this is just the wrong place to have a kebab van. It's not what you'd expect to see in a mostly residential area and right next door to a nursery (aren't we meant to be encouraging less obesity not more?) and it WILL increase litter and dropped food over time. I already regularly pick up McDonalds packaging on Chewells Lane when the nearest MaccyD's is in Ely. People WILL drop their wrappings.

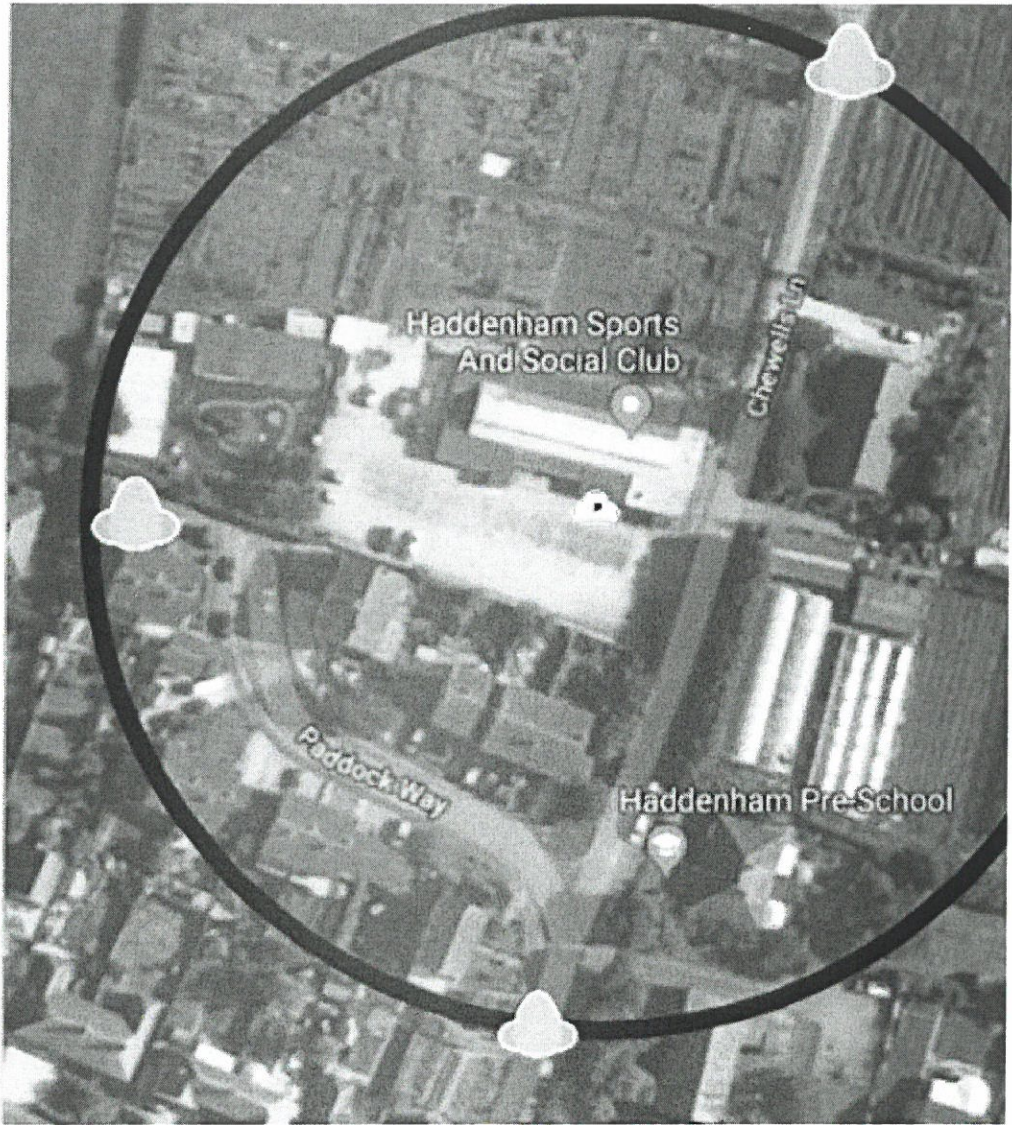
Add those issues to the increase in noise and to the health and safety of other users of the car park and please, please don't foist this on us as residents.

Yours sincerely

Al and Andrea Chambers  
13 Paddock way  
Haddenham









OBJECTION 6.

**Stewart Broome**

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**From:** Karen See  
**Sent:** 08 August 2019 16:25  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** Domestic Licence Consult  
**Subject:** RE: Street trading licence, Chewells Lane Haddenham

Dear Stewart,

Apologies if my initial email did not clearly identify the potential concerns I have with respect to the application as it stands.

This application has proved a difficult assessment to undertake, mainly due to the existing use of the car park and the uses of the premises that are already on this site, that being a Social Club and a Nursery. Existing noise levels from the buildings themselves and from persons arriving and leaving may sometimes be quite high, and occur late at night. Odours could be caused from the existing use of the kitchen in the club.

However looking at the proposal submitted I have concerns and therefore must **object** to the application. An additional noise and odour source would be introduced into an area close to residential properties and although I would not expect impacts to be sufficient to be considered a statutory nuisance there are likely to be adverse impacts at times.

Measures could be taken to address these, through the positioning of the unit further away from the residential properties (and hence reducing the likelihood of odours being detectable in residential gardens) and by reducing the days of operation of the unit, particularly to minimise operations on Sundays which are likely to be the existing quieter days. Wherever the unit is placed it is likely that cars will use the car park and there may be instances when persons sit in their cars to eat or congregate in the car parking area and there are no measures I can suggest to prevent this from occurring, the only mitigation being restricting days or times of operation.

If adequate control measures could be agreed with the applicant, then on balance I would be able to support the application.

Let me know if you need any further clarification.

Kind regards

Karen See  
Senior Environmental Health Officer (P/T) Alternate Weds, Thurs and Fridays.

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**From:** Licensing  
**Sent:** 08 August 2019 15:51  
**To:** Karen See <Karen.See@eastcambs.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: Street trading licence, Chewells Lane Haddenham

Good afternoon Karen

Thank you for your email. Can you please clarify for me whether you intended your email below to be considered as an objection to the application, or not?

Kind regards

Stewart.

Stewart Broome  
Senior Licensing Officer  
East Cambs District Council  
The Grange  
Nutholt Lane  
Ely  
CB7 4EE  
01353 616287

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**From:** Karen See  
**Sent:** 28 July 2019 21:09  
**To:** Stewart Broome <Stewart.Broome@eastcambs.gov.uk>  
**Cc:** Domestic Licence Consult <DomLicenceConsult@eastcambs.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Street trading licence, Chewells Lane Haddenham

Hello,

I visited the takeaway unit at the above site on Friday evening and spoke with the owner.

The unit was operating at the time of my visit and served a customer. They have an internal extraction unit and use electricity from the club so although there was some noise when the extract unit was turned up during cooking, the sound levels were relatively low. It is likely that the extract would be audible at the nearest residential properties when no other sounds are around, but due to the position of the van in front of the clubs existing fan unit that is on the single storey roof, and another cooling unit on the wall just above head height, I do not consider the noise from the unit would be above existing plant noise from this site. In addition the club holds music events in the evening and it is likely that music will be dominant in the vicinity. However that said there is likely to be people noise from customers to the takeaway unit generally, and there is little control over such sounds, and on evenings when there are no events the background noise levels will be low and people noise would be audible in the rear gardens of the houses nearby. In addition the unit will be operating 7 days a week including Sundays when club noise is not likely to be occurring.

Odours may be noticeable at nearby residential gardens depending on levels of cooking and wind direction. I do not consider that the extent of odours would be sufficient to cause a statutory nuisance but they would be detected at times.

The only practical measures to address the issues would be to reduce the number of days the unit operates from this site, avoiding the clubs quieter days such as Sunday and Monday, or moving the unit so it is further away from residential properties. There is a potential space to the side of the club on the road and although this is opposite another property the operators have assured me this resident works at the club and would be agreeable to this arrangement.

Kind regards.

***Karen See***

***Senior Environmental Health Officer***

