

Dear Ms Fox,

Hope you are well.

In regards to the above application, we have noticed that there are couple of objections and please find our response as follows.

We appreciate the concerns raised regarding the proposed convenience store and wish to respond as follows.

Local Need: While nearby supermarkets exist, the proposed store will provide convenient access for residents within walking distance. This encourages sustainable travel, reduces reliance on car journeys, and benefits the local community. The business will primarily rely on local residents, and their feedback and concerns will be carefully considered. The applicant's goal is to provide a service that meets the needs of the community while fostering a successful, locally supported business.

Littering and Site Safety: CCTV cameras will be installed inside and outside the premises to ensure the safety of both the public and staff. External bins will be provided at the store and in the car park, and staff will monitor and empty them regularly. We understand the neighbours' concerns and acknowledge that the site has been vacant and accessible for over a year, which may have attracted antisocial behaviour. Opening the shop is expected to reduce littering and deter such activities, contributing to a safer and cleaner local environment.

Hours and Alcohol Licensing: Any sales of alcohol will strictly comply with licensing regulations. The premises licence has been granted following careful consultation and includes conditions to ensure responsible sales. The applicant has extensive experience operating similar businesses and is committed to responsible management. The store's opening hours are consistent with those of other local shops, and measures will be in place to prevent antisocial behaviour.

Noise and Deliveries: Deliveries will be restricted to daytime hours, specifically between 6:30 am and 7:00 pm. No delivery vehicles will access the rear of the shop; all

deliveries will occur via the front entrance. Store operations will be managed to minimise noise and disruption to neighbouring properties.

Conclusion: The proposal aligns with planning policy, provides tangible benefits to the local community, and incorporates safeguards to protect the amenity and safety of neighbouring residents.

We would be grateful if you require any further information or additional details to support the application for a favourable outcome. Please do not hesitate to contact us

Regards

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