

Amended Plans

EPF/2162/19 – 202 High Road, Loughton, IG10 1ET. Proposal: Change of Use from A3 to A5 (including Air Extraction & Ventilation Details) – Min no PL776.1

The Committee had NO OBJECTION to the Air Extraction and Ventilation Details for this proposal.

However, the Committee reiterated its previous comments to the proposed Change of Use:

The Committee OBJECTED to this application on the grounds that the change of use from A3 to A5 would attract a higher level of traffic to this area, especially at night.

The noise pollution created by the extra traffic, in particular motorbikes used for home deliveries, would be detrimental to the amenity of neighbouring residents in Clifton Road, Forest Road and those living above the shops in the High Road and Centric Parade.

A takeaway food outlet of this nature, of which there are already a sufficient number in the locality, would create excessive litter for the High Road and surrounding areas, particularly Jackson Alley. This problem would also have a harmful effect on the amenity of neighbouring residents.

The subsequent increase in traffic pollution caused by this proposal would create a detrimental impact on the SAC (Special Area of Conservation), which would be further exacerbated by customers who consumed the takeaway food in the nearby forest and then discarded their rubbish.

Members considered it would be preferable for the usage to remain A3 with some A5, and that operating times should be outlined. The Committee recommended that the outlet should not be allowed to open late at night to protect nearby residents from noise disturbance and public nuisance issues which these types of establishments commonly attract.

The Chairman of the Committee confirmed she would be willing to attend an Area Planning Sub-Committee South meeting if required to do so.