

Annex 3

**Dominos Pizza, 23 - 25 Bridge Street, Andover, Hampshire SP10 1BE
Application for Variation of Premises Licence to Extend Hours of
Operation**

Thank you for consulting the Environmental Protection Team about this application which proposes an extension to the provision of late night refreshment until 5am daily.

Summary

I object to this application on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance.

Observations

I understand that the operating hours currently in place are 11:00 to 23:00 Sunday to Thursday and 11:00 to 00:00 Friday & Saturday. Therefore, the proposals represent a major change in operating times. Although the takeaway lies in a town centre location, there are residential flats directly above who I anticipate would be likely to be adversely affected by the extension in operating hours.

Firstly, I would expect outgoing delivery vehicles, either cars or motorcycles, to cause disturbance, particularly if based at the rear of the premises which is relatively protected from general traffic noise associated with Bridge Street. This would comprise noise from doors slamming and vehicles striking up and setting off periodically throughout the night. In addition, some customers may well visit late at night by car to collect food, with the result that disturbance to neighbouring residents can only increase.

Secondly, I believe that late night opening may well lead to the frontage immediately outside the shop being a point of congregation for people, some of whom might have been consuming high levels of alcohol. This may well result in this being a focal point for an increased level of rowdy and anti-social behaviour.

Thirdly, some degree of disturbance could be expected from the normal operation of such businesses, most notably use of the kitchen extraction system operating over longer hours. The late night use of the extraction system has already been the subject of a previous complaint and, unless silencing works were to be agreed, this would almost certainly lead to significant disturbance. Other types of incidental noise associated with the running of any business during the night time period can be expected also, for example due to general kitchen noise, the putting out of rubbish, staff members congregating out at the back when having breaks etc. In addition, I understand that incoming deliveries have previously occurred during the night time hours and it is conceivable that this change might encourage this to happen in the future, as staff would be on hand at such times to unload them.

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