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Road, Slough, Berkshire SL3 8PS.

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Having spoken to local residents, I now wish to oppose this application.

Firstly I would like to provide some background to the area.

It is somewhat misleading to refer to the area where the licence is applied for as a lay-by. Lay-bys are generally considered to be areas where vehicles can stop and park up. In the area referred to in the application, over several years, much time and effort has been put into preventing stopping and parking, so much so that half of the original area has been permanently blocked off to all traffic (area nearest Grampian Way flats). That leaves the currently usable area, most of which is subject to a 24 hour a day no waiting, no stopping, no unloading restriction. The so-called lay-by is in fact an access road for Foxborough Close.

The only area not subject to 24 hour a day restrictions is an area, approx 7-8 car lengths long which is situated no more than 20-25 metres from the nearest homes.

Reason for Objection 1. Proximity to housing, and the consequent likelihood of disturbance and noise to residents. I understand that this has been an issue in the past.

Reason for Objection 2. Lack of suitable ammenities. There are no public toilet facilities nearby, which will inevitably result in innapprropriate urination close to peoples homes, and quite probably against residents' walls, as these will be where the least lit areas are, and will consequently be the urinators 'area of choice'.

Reason for objection 3. Breaking of parking/loading restrictions will be inevitable. The small area where parking is legal, is currently used to full capacity from early daytime until afternoon. There will often be nowhere legal for any proposed vendor to park. Should they arrive early and get a legal space, customers will have nowhere legal to stop. This will result in customers parking illegally in many instances.

I understand that all the above are relevant and constitute grounds on which the application can be opposed.

If requested, I can obtain photographs to illustrate the above points.

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Labour councillor for Foxborough