



"The symbol of over 125 years  
service to industry"

# BARCLAY + MATHIESON LTD

## STEEL STOCKHOLDERS

CLOVERHILL ROAD, BRIDGE OF DON, ABERDEEN, AB23 8FE  
Registered Office: SHIELDHALL WORKS, 180 HARDGATE ROAD, GLASGOW G51 4TB  
Company Registration No. 30987 (Scotland)

TEL (01224) 702771  
FAX (01224) 826227

E-MAIL aberdeen@bmsteel.co.uk  
WEB <http://www.bmsteel.co.uk>

28<sup>th</sup> September 2012



Mr. Bill Gordon  
Legal & Democratic Services  
Corporate Governance  
Aberdeen City Council  
Business Hub 6 L1S  
Marischal College  
Aberdeen  
AB10 1AQ

Dear Sir

### **Street Trader Licence (Hot Food) at site on Cloverhill Road, Bridge of Don, Aberdeen.**

We wish to object to the above licence renewal due to the illegal and inconsiderate parking it brings by way of its customers and service vehicles.

Our company has served the North and North East of Scotland's steel requirements for decades from our facility in Cloverhill Road. Having good safe access and egress for large and long goods vehicles is essential to allow us to provide this service to the area. Unfortunately, we are being hampered in this due to illegal parking by customers and service vehicles attending the hot food trailer currently parked on Cloverhill Road. The existing double yellow lines are completely ignored and it would appear not be in the trailer operator's interests to discourage customers despite the obstruction they cause.

This situation disrupts the functions of the company as it is vital as a stockholder to facilitate movement of large quantities of stock both to and from our base. This also can have a negative affect on our business both in terms of customers' vehicles being "blocked in" as well as our own and suppliers vehicles having to mount the pavement to try to avoid parked vehicles. Obviously there are Road safety issues for both drivers and pedestrians as a result of this.

MEMBER OF



ABERDEEN • BANGOR • CARLISLE • CHORLEY • GLASGOW  
LIVERPOOL • MORECAMBE • NOTTINGHAM • PETERBOROUGH • SHEFFIELD



The symbol of over 125 years  
service to industry

# BARCLAY + MATHIESON LTD

## STEEL STOCKHOLDERS

CLOVERHILL ROAD, BRIDGE OF DON, ABERDEEN, AB23 8FE  
Registered Office: SHIELDHALL WORKS, 180 HARDGATE ROAD, GLASGOW G51 4TB  
Company Registration No. 30987 (Scotland)

TEL (01224) 702771  
FAX (01224) 826227

E-MAIL aberdeen@brnsteel.co.uk  
WEB http://www.brnsteel.co.uk

The City Council's Traffic Wardens do try to monitor the situation however they can not spend all day in one road. This obstruction problem exists all day, not just at peak times, with vehicles parking directly opposite our gate, and on occasions double parking both sides of the road and on the pavement.


There is an area nearby to the East on Broadfold Road which is set aside for HGV parking and this would be more suitable as a site for the trailer and would also accommodate the HGV vehicle that appears to have a connection with it and currently parks on Cloverhill Road illegally overnight in what would appear to be a system of reserving the space for the hot food trailer during the day. On Cloverhill Road however there is no provision for HGV/ Commercial only parking and as such cars can park on the licence holder's site and there is little in law to prevent this. Indeed this does happen, causing friction between legitimately parked cars' owners and the trailer operator as well as traffic congestion until the trailer parks.

Cloverhill Road is not part of Aberdeen City Council's Authorised Lorry Parking Areas (approved overnight HGV parking areas). A good example of one such Authorised area is on nearby Silverburn Place which accommodates a hot food trailer and we are unaware of this creating access problems for neighbouring Companies. This hot food trailer has no problems finding a parking space due to the aforementioned restrictions. The designated HGV Parking areas are much more suited for this type of commercial traffic and are regulated by *The Grampian Regional Council (Heavy Vehicles) (Overnight Parking Places, Aberdeen) Order, 1987*. Enforcement of this regulation would also ensure that a permanent parking space would be available for the Cloverhill hot food trailer in the area on Broadfold Road including overnight if required.

This solution would be more suitable for all, as we have no objection to the principle of hot food trailers and no desire to see the trailer without a site.

I am confident that Aberdeen City Council can find a permanent solution to this long standing problem which will improve safety for both pedestrians and road users as well as help one of the oldest businesses in Bridge of Don Industrial Estate continue to carry out its service to the North and North East area.

Yours sincerely

 - Assistant Manager  
Mike Hunter  
Depot Manager.

pp.



ABERDEEN • BANGOR • CARLISLE • CHORLEY • GLASGOW  
LIVERPOOL • MORECAMBE • NOTTINGHAM • PETERBOROUGH • SHEFFIELD