

From: FIONA THOMSON [
Sent: 05 November 2017 11:22
To: Licensing
Cc:
Subject: Proposals to Vary the Standard Conditions for Street Trader Licenses

Dear Madam,

It is with regret that we cannot attend the meeting of the Licensing Committee on Tuesday 7 November. Therefore, with reference to your letter dated 13 October regarding the above, we hereby give you our response as follows:-

The only objection we have is to the condition below.

Condition 9 - "The stance from which a street trader hawks, sells or offers or exposed for sale their goods requires to be moved daily at the end of trading"

We would like you to take these points below into consideration before any decisions are made:-

1. **Health & Safety**

We feel that moving our stance every day is a Health and Safety issue, not only to ourselves, but also to the general public. The fryers in the van are full of HOT oil and also contain Gas Bottles, moving these would be extremely dangerous. Even if we emptied the oil and left the gas bottles, there is nowhere to store them in a secure holding.

2. Would our stance be permanently marked out or outlined on the road, including parking for our vehicle and space for our recycling bin and general waste bin? Can you guarantee that nobody will park on our stance when not there? Where should we store the bins? These are all questions that we would need answers to.

3. Condition 9 actually contradicts Condition 13.

With regards to this we feel that it is NOT practical to dismantle and remove our stance from the designated area. We have had this stance for over 11 years without moving. I doubt very much if it WOULD move as it has been there for well over 20 years!!

4. Does it make sense to move the stance to a residential area (which our neighbours and local council would probably object to) rather than remaining in an Industrial Estate? We have never had any problems or objections in all the time we have been there.

5. Lastly, it would increase congestion within Aberdeen, it is bad enough already.

We would just like to add that in the past we have accommodated any rules and regulations that have been laid down by the Council, however ridiculous we thought they were, but this time it is just a step too far.

We look forward to your response in due course.

Regards,
Mandy & Fiona Thomson
Vehicle Identification No.