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Subject: CM/68/21/PL application for extended Sunday opening hours The Bald Kitchen

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Dear Mr Crowther

CM/68/21/PL

I am writing with regard to the planning meeting on 27th April when the Bald Kitchen opening hours are set to be reviewed, again. Previously your department recommended that the hours should be extended on a Sunday, despite it being argued that this was detrimental for the mental well-being of local residents. I hope you don't mind but I have also copied this email to planning committee councillors as previously, when I have asked concerns to be raised by the planning department this hasn't happened and I've had to rely on the councillors to ensure that pertinent points are discussed.

Yours sincerely
Rachel Grimwood

I attach a link to a Bald Kitchen Facebook post. <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=262769356028968> The council are called w****s. Swear words and aggressive language are liberally used. Direct quotes include doing noisy events 'just out of spite' 'just to p*** you off' 'come down every Sunday - see if we can wake up all the neighbours to p*** them off'

Their aggressive behaviour towards anyone who dares to voice a different opinion to them and the fact that they were inciting people to come and disturb the peace meant that the police deployed two cars and a van to attend a recent event at their cafe. This is a shocking use of police funds and time, which taxpayers have had to pay for.

I also attach a link to their Facebook page regarding that Sunday morning.

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?ref=search&v=2048743501961869&external_log_id=d0bc1303-078f-406a-ab88-3011f661451d&q=bald%20kitchen

You can hear for yourself the noise and the proprietors encouraging customers to rev their vehicle engines. This clearly demonstrates that the café customers are not the same as the Aquatic Centre and Garden Centre clientele, who arrive quietly and enter the buildings to shop, not hanging around, socialising outside, with engines revving. The businesses on this site cannot be treated the same with regard to opening hours because they do not treat the local residents in the same way. The situation has not changed (I would argue it has worsened) since the council set the opening hours 'To safeguard the amenities of the neighbouring properties in accordance with Arun District Local Plan policies QE SP1.'

If the planning department is still set on recommending longer Sunday opening hours, they need to make it clear to councillors what has changed since last July to make the reason for their previous decision invalid and justify to local residents why the behaviour in these videos is deemed acceptable to the department.

Here are just a selection of the comments made on The Bald Kitchen Facebook page, encouraging clients to deliberately disturb the peace of the neighbours:

Can I bring my coach down with its loud Air Horn lol Bald Kitchen's response 'yep'

An 8am Harley meet should sort this problem of theirs out.

I'm done for that I turn up with my hand on the horn lol

Only the cars / vans with the loudest exhausts can come Bald Kitchen's response 'yeah'

Remember that loud diesel generator you had for the old van what if you had a little stall out in the carpark needing an electric supply at 8am chugging away near the fence

Use a louder generator on Sunday 8 am see if they prefer that

the 1000cc club in force on a 8am start how many bikes he he esy done

I'll definitely come down one early Sunday for a coffee and too make some noise

make sure you have some major garden parties during your open hours maybe play some music on a Sunday from 8am

I'll try get there for 8 pump me horn

10 loud honks of your car horn between 8am to 10am gets you a free what?

Good idea boys do that make some noise

Boy racer event!! must have raspy exhaust & dump valve to enter

Have a 8am party!! Loud music lots of kids activities,bouncy castle, Breakfast club party

Put a family event on 8-10 bouncy castles and music loads of screaming kids will sort that out
Modified cars maybe a few dirty diesel's

You need to have one of those car meets with the massive sub speakers that will make em think twice

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