

APPENDIX C

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Subject: re: 21/02666/larevi

Hello - I am submitting a statement in relation to Kwiki Mart Food n Tipple 111-113 Albert Road, Southsea, PO5 2SQ (ref: 21/02666/LAREVI).

I would support Karen Whiteaway's review of the licence for the above establishment. Her remarks are well-balanced and goes some way to conveying the disruption that occurs on Albert Road in the vicinity of the Kwiki Mart.

I live at 4 Oxford Road, PO5 1NR which is just around the corner of the Kwiki Mart. I moved in on the 2 August 2021. While my quality of life has suffered greatly from all night disruption on Albert Road, I can only imagine how it must be to live opposite the shop.

In August and September the noise and social disruption was occurring a majority of each week (sometimes 4 or 5 times a week). The majority of the disruption occurred from 12 midnight and went on until 5 or 6 in the morning. The noise included shouting, threats, very loud music, and general threatening and anti-social behaviour.

I would not venture out to confront or observe this anti-social behaviour as I would genuinely fear for my own safety. I also have two daughters who I am very much concerned about. My elder daughter has said that she is fearful of the behaviour and has been threatened by people outside the Kwiki Mart (one had a broken bottle). If she returns from work late then I ensure that I meet her to walk her home in case of threatening behaviour.

This does need to get resolved. The quality of life of people living in this area suffers greatly and the lack of sleep impacts more broadly on people and their working lives. The threat to women and men needs to be taken account of - but if Southsea cannot be made safe then it is a very sad state of affairs. Where are the police? This, no doubt, will become a local election issue at some point. If not resolved I do hope people with young families are able to shield their children from the noise, disruption, and violent language. It is like living in a gang-dominated area.

The pubs along Albert Road are very respectful and close at reasonable times and their customers tend to then go home. The Kwiki Mart needs to close at a reasonable time like other convenience stores in the area - and they need to take responsibility for those people who shop there and congregate in front of their establishment that is making life hell for many of us.

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