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Mitchell Way Rawcliffe York

11 February 2008 (Hand delivered 11th February 2008)

Mr John Lacy Licensing Manager City of York Council The Guildhall York

Dear Sir

## Licensing Application by MacDonalds at Clifton Moor

I write to object to MacDonalds application for a licence to extend their opening hours.

Our property is close to MacDonalds and we have continual problems with cars being raced in the area of the car park and road leading to MacDonalds. The Police are aware of the problems. The drivers create a lot of noise late into the night with music blasting from the cars, sounding horns and screeching tyres and revving of engines. Very little seems to have been done to tackle this noise pollution and this traffic noise would increase and continue throughout the night should the opening hours be extended.

There is also the problem of youths gathering and anti social behaviour. We have found that groups of youths drop litter in our street and on our gardens and also make quite a lot of noise in the evenings. They leave MacDonalds and then push their way through the leylandii border to take a short cut to their homes. There was, previously, a pathway and gate through the leylandii but this has now been closed and has elevated the problem very slightly. The problem with the groups of youths gathering is that they then go on to cause other trouble such as letting off gas canisters in the rear of Currys and us then having to call the police and fire brigade.

We also feel that local residents may not have been made aware of the licensing application and therefore they have not had the opportunity to raise their objections. We became aware of the application because of a feature in the Evening Press not through having seen notices etc.

We cannot see the benefit of allowing twenty four hour opening as it would not be of any great local benefit. There are no pubs or clubs in the area which currently open twenty four hours, it is not a destination area as all other businesses with the exception of Tesco's (which again we would point out is on a completely separate site and cannot be reached from MacDonalds) close at usual hours of business. We strongly object to the application and urge the Council to consider the effects of the noise pollution on the nearby residential area. The MacDonalds site is not a "big retail and leisure park" as quoted in the press but is mainly in a residential area. The retail and leisure park is near Tesco's.

The noise pollution that occurs is detrimental to our sleep patterns and becomes a major nuisance in the Spring and Summer months when you wish to have the windows open.

We would be happy for the Council members to attend our property to experience the noise disruption that we currently experience should this be of assistance in reaching a decision.

Yours faithfully

## **RAWCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL**

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12th February 2008

Dear Miss Cooke

## REF: CYC 10564 - McDONALD'S RESTAURANT, CLIFTON MOOR, YORK

Rawcliffe Parish Council, as a representative of persons living in the vicinity of the above premises, wishes to make representations on the above application.

The basis of objection to the application is on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. Hurricane Way, which is the only thoroughfare to the premises, is already the subject of anti-social behaviour, in particular cars racing around with loud music emanating from them. As the restaurant is currently open until midnight with these problems occurring Parish Council believes an extension to 05.00 will merely exacerbate the problems.

Should a hearing be required the Parish Council wishes to receive a copy of the Agenda, and expects to send a representative to make submissions to the hearing.

Yours sincerely buson

ALAN ROBINSON Clerk to the Council

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