



TO; THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL
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Local Licensing.

We would like to file an objection to the application by;

Halil TecaGac for 6 Cliff Terrace CT9 1RU for a late night refreshment licence from 23.00 – 02.30 every day.

This takeaway has traded after 11pm until the early hours (often longer during the summer months) for the past 4 years **without** a late night licence.

No residents nearby were given the option to object when he took on the premises as he failed to apply for the late night license and just opened 7 days per week until at least 2.30am and with a lot of outside seating. None of us realised he needed a licence and didn't know who to object to when the late night noise and mess got out of hand (continuously).

We object to this licence as he has continuously not managed the noise levels and disturbances outside his premises and these include;

- Customers congregate and eat sitting at the outside tables outside until at least 2am (later during the summer) and the hubbub and noise travels up and disturbs many local residents during the night. The street is mainly residential with no other late night premises that open regularly after 11.30pm. He has never made efforts to minimise this as he has never run his business with any consideration for residents next door and nearby.
- Delivery drivers leaving their engines running when they collect orders through the night and are not mindful of the time of night when they congregate outside.
- His outside seating is always on his decking (not brought indoors) and gets used by late night people passing by to congregate at after his closing time and this causes noise and nuisance for the whole street. This is a big problem during the summer at weekends.
- Litter and rubbish from his late night business is often discarded along the street. He doesn't make any particular effort to clear this up.
- Bomba traded with no waste license until late summer 2018 and he now does have a waste license but only because Prospects Letting Management reported him due to the continuous dumping of food waste on the yard of no. 5 next door. They manage no.5 Cliff Terrace.
- Google street view from Aug 2018 shows what residents had to put up with up until the above happened.

- His extractor is at the rear didn't work properly so the smells carried into the rear windows of all the flats alongside him and it was very noisy. Someone reported this in 2019 and he received a noise abatement notice.
- I have heard he has a rodent issue at the rear (but I do not have personal experience of this as our home doesn't back onto it) and no idea if he has a pest control contract in place.
- There have been police visits to the premises on occasion for disturbances which are on record (but I do not have dates/details).

In conclusion, we would like the licensing department to take his previous conduct into consideration when deciding his application as he has proven (by his actions) to local residents that he has no particular regard for any of the laws surrounding the running of a late night food business or managing it in a mindful way considering the street is mostly residential.

A compromise could be no tables outside after 9pm and no late night service of any type after 11pm.

Also to check he complies with all the relevant laws surrounding his type of business and some kind of effective enforcement should he breach them in the future? I don't think he's aware of things like planning permission for his new signage for example.

All neighbouring restaurants and bars have an 11.30pm cut off except Kitchen CT9. Kitchen CT9 barely uses her late night option (and is an asset to the street) but we are concerned that her late licence sets a precedent for the street despite it being unused 99% of the time?

Since he has been told to close at 11pm and the seating/tables have been removed we have all noticed considerably less noise, mess and disturbance. In fact we're amazed at the difference especially regarding noise and customer food rubbish outside and all along the street.

It makes this almost worse as we've all had to put up with so much over the past few years and one forgets what the street used to be like before he opened up. The previous tenant (closed 2013) ran a very quiet business there.

Kind Regards



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Late License Application - Halil Tekagac - Bomba Kebab & Pizza - 6 Cliff Terrace Margate CT9 1RU

Dear Licensing Team

We are writing to register our objection to the above application for an extended late license at Bomba Kebab & Pizza, 6 Cliff Terrace, Margate, CT9 1RU.

We live next door to the business in question.

The main reason for our objection is that extending the opening hours with this license goes against the Council's stated Licensing objectives of:

1. Preventing Public Nuisance – in this case late night noise and litter
2. Preventing Disorder and Crime – in this case there have been numerous incidents of Anti Social Behaviour involving the police.

We object to the application based on the following concerns:

- Bomba has an outdoor terrace at the front of their premises which until recently had tables permanently in place. Any activity involving increased numbers of people congregating and eating outside, vehicles parking with their engines on, after 11:30 at night is not appropriate for a residential area. It increases public nuisance and significantly raises the risk of criminal and disorderly behaviour.
- We have a bedroom at the front of the property which is almost directly above the outside seating area. To have noise going on until 2.30 am seven days a week is unacceptable, particularly in the summer when the town is very busy.
- We are not aware of any other Late Night Cafés / Restaurants in Margate that enable out door eating until this time in the morning. This must be limited by curfew.
- Rubbish is another issue with discarded take away cartons, cigarettes, drink cans etc left on the street by customers. No bins are provided for this.
- Cliff Terrace is a quiet residential area with a few daytime businesses. A business whose principle hours of business are late at night is not compatible with this location.

Recently it came to light that Bomba Kebab & Pizza had been trading beyond their Permitted Licensed hours and since enforcement we have noticed a marked reduction in late night noise and disruption, both of vehicles and Anti Social Behaviour.

Whilst we do not want to impinge severely on his business it must be run within constraints respecting the needs of the residential neighbourhood and this has not been the case up to now. A late license will only take matters back to how they were.

Please consider the impact of late night operation of Bomba on the surrounding neighbourhood and its residents.