

May Williams

From: Peter Vangeersdaele
Sent: 30 April 2009 17:21
To: May Williams
Cc: Alan Radford; Kay Dewinski
Subject: RE: Street Trader - Variation 4/26(0005)

Hi, May,

I support Alan's concerns.

I oppose the siting of tables & chairs on the public highway in a town centre location where problems might be created for our Police partners and for vulnerable highway users .

Best wishes,

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Thirdly, the site is close to the emergency vehicle access and the last thing we need at this site is more 'clutter'.

Finally, we have refused permission for a number of premises to informally place table and chairs on the highway, by granting permission for one mobile trader, we will no doubt receive further approaches which we would be hard put to refuse static traders the same permissions, adding to the problems already faced by pedestrians.

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Subject: Street Trader - Variation 4/26(0005)

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Many Thanks

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To: Kay Dewinski
Cc: Stuart Perry; Alan Radford; May Williams
Subject: FW: Mr H L Jones - Street Trader on Hagley Street, Halesowen

Hi, Kay,

- (1) MR H.L. JONES, STREET TRADER, HAGLEY STREET, HALESOWEN
- (2) SNACK STALLS AS PART OF HALESOWEN FARMERS MARKET
- (3) CAFES & RESTAURANTS IN HALESOWEN TOWN CENTRE

OBSTRUCTION OF THE PUBLIC HIGHWAY

As the Traffic Manager, I support my Street Care colleagues' opposition to any tables/chairs obstructing Halesowen's pedestrianised area. This section of the public highway is in place to help pedestrians to pass freely.

Wheelchair-users and visually-impaired pedestrians are entitled to proceed through Halesowen's pedestrianised streets without unnecessary obstruction.

Hot dogs, samosas, and baps from temporary stalls are all snacks that we eat on the move. Customers are busy and do not need to sit down in order to eat. That is part of the pleasure of this type of food.

Customers of cafes/restaurants could order full meals, and choose to sit at a table in a room in order to eat more slowly in a relaxed atmosphere. Their food will cost more because it includes the provision of dining facilities.

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