

Licensing Application Objection Asda Express Hadley 5th December 2023

The objection to the below license application is in relation to “*prevention of crime and disorder*” and “*prevention of public nuisance*”.

We have since Spring 2023 received complaints from residents, businesses local to the area of Hadley Park East and patrons of businesses regarding large gatherings of vehicles and groups, both on Telford and Wrekin public highway and private land belonging to Euro Garages.

The aforementioned groups above have taken part in;

- Dangerous acts of driving on the highway and footpaths, causing risk to other road users and pedestrians
 - This includes racing 3 a-breast down both sides of the carriageway and footpaths
 - excessive speed on both entering and leaving the area of Hadley Park East
 - cornering at speed and performing “doughnut” skids around corners
- Damage to highways furniture, belonging to both Telford and Wrekin and Euro Garages
- Large gatherings in excess of 50+ vehicles causing alarm, harassment and distress to local residents
 - Member of said groups who have threatened members of the public through intimidation and harassment
 - Meets have displayed no care for local residents through excessive loud and repetitive revving of engines
 - Large deposits of litter from groups that visit the area

Whilst it is understood that the majority of these complaints take place on a highway with vehicular ASB, these groups and owners of the vehicles themselves attend that garage requesting the license for custom, whether that is the purchase of fuel and or food and some of these issues originate from the garage forecourt to the front and rear.

It is felt that if these groups that continue to visit this area and are able to purchase alcohol, this could have knock on effect either through increased risk to drink driving and its associated risk to road users and members of the public or others that form a part of the group becoming intoxicated and becoming more harassing in nature to local residents and businesses, not to mention that increased potential for littering that is having a blight on the local area and is impacting local businesses and their custom.

Below are the logs relevant to the Risk Management Plan in place for Hadley Park East relating to vehicles and anti-social behaviour:

- 00424_C_26112023 DANGEROUS DRIVING AND VEHICLES HAVE VERY LOUD EXHAUSTS
- 00388_I_01112023 BOY RACERS ARE SPINNING THEIR CARS AND RACING AROUND
- 00988_C_12092023 HOME MADE NAIL SPIKES FOUND THROWN ON THE ROAD TO POP VEHICLES TYRES
- 00758_C_28092023 VEHICLES ACCELERATING AWAY, WHEEL SPINNING, REVING LOUDLY
- 00488_I_29092023 Over 20 vehicles zipping around, exhausts backfiring, driving erratically.
- 00629_C_18092023 PERFORMANCE CAR. VERY BRIGHT PALE GREEN. NO VRM. ITS SPEEDING IN THE AREA.
- 00650_I_31032023 50+ vehicles racing around the streets, revving their engines and beeping horns.
- 00562_I_04042023 Vehicles exhaust back firing, loud revving and ASB driving.
- 00544_I_03042023 Cars racing around on the hadley park east and queensway
- 00586_I_02042023 boy racers on the car park revving a lot, very loud music, drag racing from the Hadley park island, doing donuts on the car park
- 00328_I_13092023 cars going up and down the road speeding reving their cars up making loads of noise and wheel spins.
- 00009_C_13092023 VEHICLE OUTSIDE WHEEL SPINNING AND REVING ENGINE EXPECTING OTHER VEHICLES LATER
- 00656_C_11092023 ASB Cars ... happened last night - at 02:30 and finished at 03:00 ... speeding revving engines, shouting, doing donuts etc this happens regular
- 00100_I_13092023 Boy racers driving up and down making gun shapes with there hands and pointing at people.
- 00573_I_03092023 Load of cars racing about 20+ of them
- 00565_I_03092023 OVER 30 VEHICLES RACING AROUND THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE BEING REALLY DANGEROUS
- 00557_I_03092023 cars and motorbikes speeding and backfiring
- 00283_I_03092023 VEHICLES BACKFIRING ALL DOWN THE ROAD
- 00475_I_31082023 anti social behaviour - cars zipping up the road - spinng wheels and reving engines.
- 00481_I_16082023 LOADS OF KIDS IN CARS - LOUD EXHAUSTS, SPEEDING UP AND DOWN THE ROAD, SPINNING THE WHEELS, LOUD BACKFIRES
- 00955_C_02082023 cars driving at excessive speeds, backfiring and speeding at laps
- 00511_I_23082023 Cars wheel spinning and revving and speeding and being a pain

00533_I_28072023 cruising, one of the them has threatened me and they are spinning their wheels and doing doughnuts

00545_I_06082023 ASB - THERE IS 10 CARS WHEEL SPINNING AND ACCLERATIN OUTSIDE MY HOUSE

00559_I_23072023 GANGS OF CARS REVING ETC - AND NOW LOCAL ALARMS ARE GOING OFF IN LOCAL FACTORIES - MAYBE VIBRATIONS FROM THE CARS

00401_I_22072023 PARKING CARS UP BACK FIRING ENGINES AND REVING

00451_C_13072023 PEOPLE USING CARS, AND RACING IN THE AREA

00508_I_11072023 7 CARS OUTSIDE OF THE HOUSE. THEY REV UP AND DOWN THE SMALL BIT OF ROAD

00051_C_10072023 There is groups of between 10 and 15 cars congregating speeding up and down the road with very loud exhaust doing doughnuts and revving engines very loudly.

01009_C_09072023 there is a gathering about 15 cars doing donuts and speeding

00573_I_05072023 There is a group of kids in about 6 or 7 vehicles causing problems in the car park behind the BP garage, opposite the foot doctor - they are driving around causing a nuisance and have nicked the sign for the BP Garage

00054_I_05082023 WEDDING PARTY HARASSED BY TEENAGERS IN CARS

The RMP is currently still in place and local policing teams are continuing to patrol and respond to calls for service relating to dangerous driving and ASB in Hadley Park East.

In addition to police patrolling, ASB officers have conducted regular patrols during the summer period to help deter and monitor this behaviour reported to us, alongside the installation of CCTV infrastructure to help monitor and deter. Following these patrols, 16 CPN(w)'s were issued to registered keepers of vehicles witnessed by officers detailing behaviours causing the detrimental effect to those local to the area.

I hope the above highlights some of the issues that are of concern in regards to the licensing application in relation to Asda at Hadley Park East and how a licence may further impact the residents, businesses and patrons of Hadley Park East and surrounding areas.

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