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Subject: South Park Car Park, South Park, Park Grove, Macclesfield, SK11 8AD APPLICATION FOR APREMISES LICENCE: LICENSING ACT 2003

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Hi
Please find my comments relating to the application.

The comments relate to consumption of alcohol **off the premises** and the **hours of operation**.

Le Petite Frog operates a small café service in the car park. It is great to see this in the car park offering light refreshments to park goers and hope that it is and continues to be a successful business.

Anti-Social Behaviour

South Park have signs up identifying South Park as a designated area to prevent anti-social drinking. This was done under the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001. It is not clear when this was done or if the Park is still a designated area.

However this means that in the past there was a need to designate South Park owing to anti-social behaviour.

There have been a number (albeit a small number) of antisocial behaviour by people late on in the park causing nuisance in the last few years including 2020.

The application refers to alcohol being consumed off the premises and being sold up to 22:00 each day. It would seem that after purchase the most likely place to drink would be in the park area. In principle, there should be no objection to this if people drink and behave responsibly. However the likelihood of antisocial behaviour will be increased if people can purchase and consume alcohol late in the evening during dusk/darkness. Some of these people may already be under the influence of alcohol before purchasing from the facility in South Park. The anti-social behaviour may include, but not be limited to, drinking and causing trouble, being noisy and dropping litter.

Litter

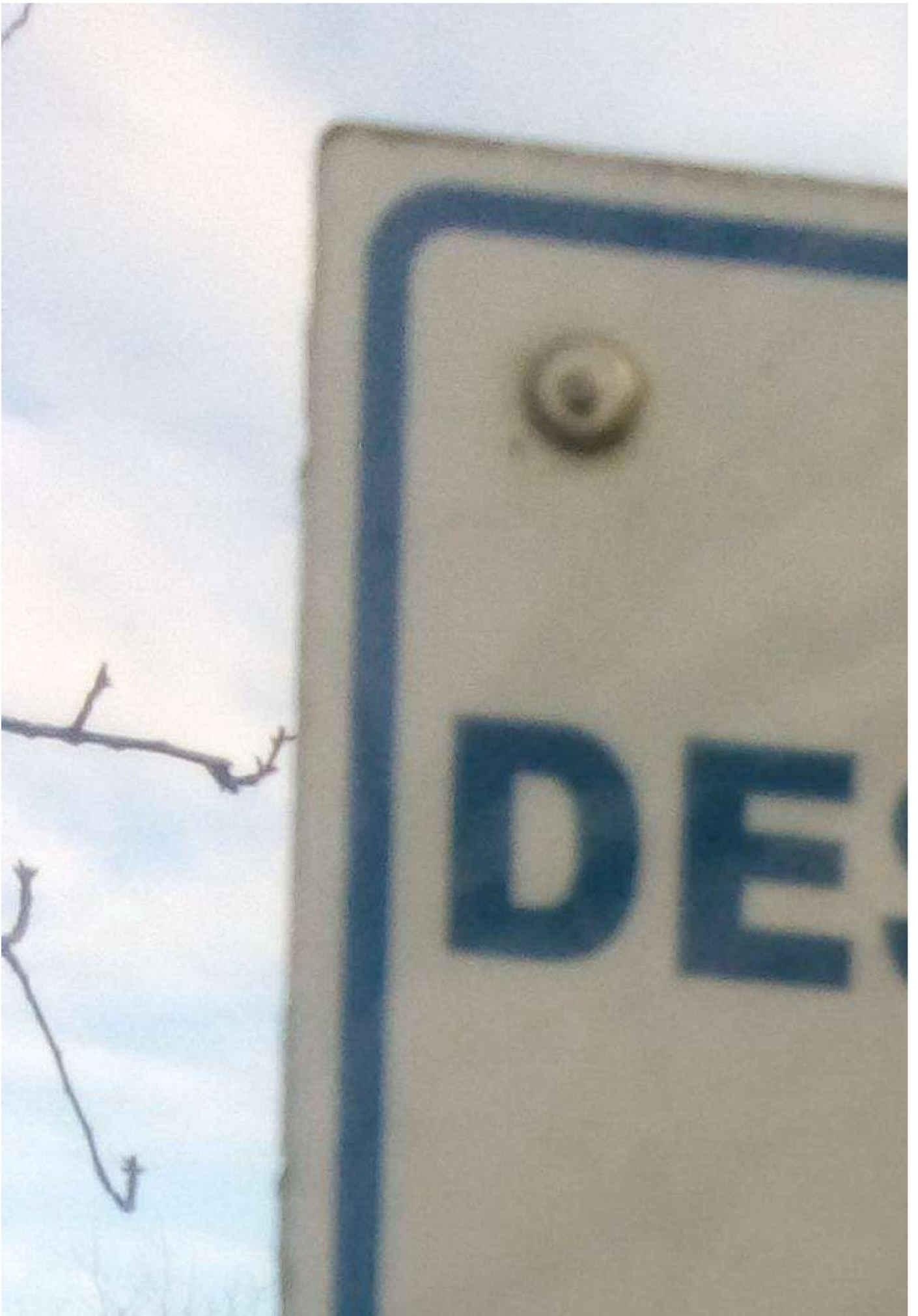
Unfortunately, even though dropping litter is a criminal offence, some members of our society continue this practice. It is a known problem in parts of Macclesfield including South Park. 'Don't be a Tosser' posters are in place in South Park, I am guessing these posters were provided by the local authority, however litter is still dropped in the Park on a daily basis.

The sale of alcohol in containers or receptacles may lead to an increase in the litter in South Park especially when the drink is consumed 'off the premises'. As indicated above 'off the premises' could/would most likely be in the park area. Again litter dropping will be more likely later in the evening during dusk and darkness and/or when people are under the influence of alcohol.

Over the last few months it has been good to see an increase in the use of the park especially by families. Unfortunately, with the COVID 19 restrictions, there has also been an increase in drinking in the park with cans and bottles being left littering the park area and on occasions broken bottles. Selling alcohol for consumption in the park may add to this problem.

In summary:

The main issues relate to alcohol being consumed **off the premises** and **the hours of operation** (e.g after 18:00).



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Notice is hereby given that I, Kaye Harrison, have applied on the 10 December 2020 to Cheshire East Council in respect of the premises known as South Park Car Park, South Park, Park Grove, Macclesfield, SK11 8AD for a Premises Licence to provide the following licensable activities:

- ☐ The Sale and Supply of Alcohol for Consumption Both On and Off the Premises Monday to Sunday 11.00 to 22.00 Each Day.

Representations shall be made in writing to the below address on or before the following date: 7 January 2021

The Licensing Section
Cheshire East Council
Municipal Buildings
Earle Street
Crewe
CW1 2BJ

Or by e-mail to: licensing@cheshireeast.gov.uk

The application may be inspected at the Licensing Section of Cheshire East Council by prior appointment during normal office hours.

It is an offence on summary conviction, to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with this application, the maximum fine for which is, unlimited.