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This is a response to the application by the A38 Southbound Service Station at Egginton junction to extend the Alcohol off licence from 1100 to 0500, and serve refreshments for 7 days a week.

The Service Station is currently open till 2300, a condition of its original operating licence due to the nature of the area, where it is based, being a residential area. There are a number of residences adjacent to the garage, which will be affected by any decision.

I would like to object to any extension of the opening hours and alcohol licence due to the following:

Potential for increased noise due to vehicle and foot traffic visiting the Service Station to purchase food and beverage during the early hours. The Northbound Service Station is already open 24 hours, and can provide customers with their needs. Access to it from the Southbound is via the flyover at that junction so there is no need for additional services at the Southbound site.

The area is already very noisy at night with the close proximity of the A38, and passing vehicles. However, while vehicle traffic entering and exiting the garage in the early hours would be a major source of extra noise, any foot traffic that it generates would be extremely unwelcome. That foot traffic would have to pass all the adjacent houses and there is the potential for loud talking and shouting. I have personal experience of such incidents on the odd occasion that people are on the street in the area, and it has been very loud, and woken us up. The Northbound, has no catchment area for foot traffic, as there are no nearby houses, and access from Willington would generally mean crossing the A38 on foot, a dangerous thing to do. There is no pavement on the flyover to access the Northbound A38.

There is a clear link between alcohol and instances of Public disturbance, and allowing such an extension in a residential area would lead to the possibility of such instances. There are also risks of increased crime in the area, which does not have a regular Police presence.

Any extra generated traffic into the garage area, either on foot or by vehicle could also lead to increased litter in the area. There is a well known connection between late hours, alcohol, food and litter, as anybody who lives near such places can attest to.

Any one of these observations show this application to be unnecessary and unwarranted in a residential area.