

To whom it may concern,

For the past two years or so, the quality of my life has been severely affected by the arrival of a pie and mash stall outside of my Flat. What it amounts to is a ridiculously loud alarm clock that you can never switch off every day.

Initially they began setting up well before 7 a.m- often it would be 6.30. I pointed this out to the council who said the company had not been allowed to start before 8 am. Andrew Griffin suggested a compromise of 7.30 which I reluctantly accepted just to get some sleep back!

The problem also lies in the nature of their setup. Whereas most stalls may only use a stove to cook their food, Holmesbake moves an entire Kitchen's worth of equipment each day to cook their food. Because of this they are significantly louder than most stalls and take a lot longer doing it. It is also worth mentioning the noise created by the lift they use on the back of their Luton van which roughly equates to the sound of a person screaming at the top their lungs every ten minutes or so which does get tedious after you've been woken up by it several hundred times (literally).

The only viable solution I can see is to relocate them (Which means that they won't be able to take advantage of the highly questionable parking spaces they like to occupy outside my flat) to another spot- preferably one that takes advantage of the thick double glazing that the council houses have further up Whitecross street (We don't have double glazing). Alternatively they can start at an appropriate time such as 8.00 or better 9.00.

Giving them permission to start at 7 am is not something I will ever be able to concede. I will appeal, write to my MP- whatever it takes to stop this severely affecting my life. Would anyone be able to allow what amounts to the inability to ever sleep past 7 o'clock for the foreseeable future. I have little sympathy for a company whose main purpose is to feed investment bankers pies. It is the duty of the council to protect residents from situations like this- not enable them to cause even more suffering. Allowing Holmesbake to set up even earlier than they already do is madness and totally unacceptable. I would like to take this opportunity to formally request its relocation

Yours sincerely,