

ADDENDUM REPORT

Planning Committee



Item Number: 6.6

Site: Seymour Stores, Seymour Road

Planning Application: 15/01896/FUL

Applicant: Marazion Developments LTD

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A late letter of representation has been received. The letter raises concerns about the creation of a new hot food takeaway opposite the entrance of Hele's School.

The letter states that adding a second takeaway to the already existing Chinese Takeaway would increase the number of takeaway uses in the immediate area to an unacceptable level on health grounds. The objector states that allowing another takeaway use at this location would undermine the Council's goal to provide choice in retail areas, especially those where children spend time.

The letter also makes reference to Plymouth Plan Policy 8.4c stating that the Council should carefully consider the health implications of applications for development or changes to food premises around schools. The Objector considers that the application does not fit with the ambitions of the city.

Opening Hours

The applicant has requested that Officers clarify for Members of the Committee what hours of opening would be likely to be considered acceptable in the event that there were no Healthy City Objection to the proposal. In those circumstances, Officers would recommend opening hours of 17:00 to 00:00 would be acceptable. However, given Strategic Objective 4 Policy 8 of the Plymouth Plan which relates to supporting healthy lifestyles Officers feel that even if these opening hours were to be applied it would still undermine the Council's ambitions to deliver a healthy city, and in particular trying to protect the food environment around the providers of secondary education. It is therefore recommended that the suggested opening hours would only be appropriate in the event that members consider that the application should be approved.