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Dear Mrs A May,

In reference to your letter , may I just make a few points.

Ever since I first started to sell fast food, my intention was never to up-set anyone, annoy anyone, Provoke anyone or be a nuisance to anyone . I'm quite a very reserved person , polite and respectful to everyone I meet. I didn't even know for the first 8 months of trading, that there was any problems with me being there. I put all of my stolen signs and all destruction of the toilet down to kids play, which happened on a weekly basis.

On since becoming aware of the issue I have kept the council aware of all my moves and intentions. I've abided by all the councils rules and regulations as instructed. I will continue to be as co-operative as possible.

All the complaints made about me are not strictly true. The toilet is constantly locked whilst I'm not there, so they have no means of access . The people who graphitised the toilet seem to know exactly what they are doing and how to go about things to get the right reaction from the concerned bodies. As far as I'm aware there has been no evidence what so ever that any crimes are committed at night while I'm not there. There are no signs of condoms or any other sexual litter. How can I be held responsible for things beyond my control if this is the case. The lane is kept clean by myself and the council litter pickers. After all this is a road we are talking about which is half a mile away from all the complainants. They live in Warwickshire, I trade from Worcestershire. How can this be an issue to them from so far away, unless they go out of their way . They cannot see me, hear me, or smell me and my establishment from their neighbourhood.

When I was offered the position by the highways to move into Alderhanger lane, I thought this would solve any issues concerning these people, obviously I was wrong.

The council was immediately informed with the appropriate paper work.

Since starting this business two and a half years ago I've committed my everything into running a self employed business. I trade six days a week and on the seventh, I cleanse and restock the van. Therefore I'm working seven days a week to earn a living. I've had no rest or holiday throughout the entire period of trading, this is how committed I am. I've also invested a huge amount of money into my desire to work and not become another statistic on the unemployment list. I feel that if you kindly consider my application for continual trading, things can only be positive for my customers, the general public travelling and myself.

Yours faithfully

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