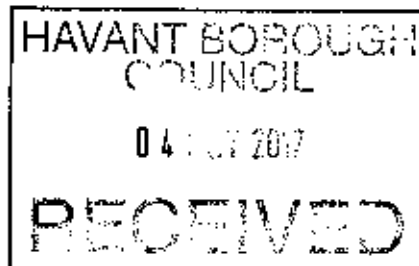


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30 September 2017

Dear Mr Oliver,
Re: Proposed Lidl Food Store - Hayling Island.

I am writing to you in the hope that you and the Planning Services will allow Lidl's Food Store to be built at Naner Road, Hayling Island.

Myself and many others, would welcome Lidl's coming to Hayling Island, as we would not have to go into Havant to do our main shopping. Whilst the shops on Hayling are lovely, they unfortunately do not carry the choice that Lidl would provide. I believe one of the concerns, is that it would cause congestion. I disagree, as I believe the Entrance will be further down Naner Road and not on top of the roundabout. We already have dreadful congestion in the Summer, because of the amount of visitors that come to Hayling Island. I have to use a bus to get about, like many of us [redacted] and sometimes the buses

are anything up to 1 hour late, weekends being even worse. Therefore the distance for the majority of us, would not be far. You may see congestion perhaps during the first week or ten days when Lidl opens, but that is normal when anything new occurs. It would however settle down and people would shop at normal levels.

Another issue I believe, is the loss of valuable open space. I have lived on the Island off and on since 1945 and Rookery Field has been, as far as I remember, a field. Nothing has ever been done with it. I have heard some people say that housing could be put there. We have enough houses on Hayling now and that would certainly cause more congestion.

My flat overlooks Station Road as we front Staunton Avenue and Station and I sat in my window one day and took a tally of vehicles that passed my window, going into West Town and coming out. I did it for an hour and the amount of vehicles passing was 2571 in total. It seems to increase daily. A lot of those vehicles are a result of the Oystersheds being built.

Therefore I would ask you and your Planning Services to look favourably on allowing Lidl to come to Hayling and the bonus of employing local people.

Yours sincerely

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