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To: [M20 Junction 10A](#)
Subject: Extension to working hours
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Dear Inspector

You will have the report from Highways suggesting the proposed increase in working hours will, on average, have little impact on the local residents and their environment. However, as in the original application everything is averaged. The amount of dust and exhaust fumes is averaged yet, on a daily basis, the extra working hours on Saturday and Sunday will impact people. At present we cannot leave windows open even during the hottest weather. This will be extended to weekends too.

Again noise impact is averaged yet it is the variability that has the impact, the jarring effect of dropping gravel into an empty metal container is significant. We are used to the constant hum of the motorway but this is unexpected noises during the day that make you constantly aware of the motorway construction.

There have been a few occasions when an extension to work has been requested but that has usually been for a short duration and advertised in advance so people can make allowances, some have even gone away for the weekend! Just because there were no formal complaints doesn't mean people weren't inconvenienced.

We are not against the development working but do request the balance is maintained.

There are footpaths and bridlepaths that cannot be used because of the heavy equipment being used alongside them spooking the horses. The extension will mean they cannot be used at all during the development.

The work is carried out right next to properties, the noise carries for miles as all vegetation has been removed. The impact has been played down but it will make a huge difference to the people living within the area the sound travels too.

I work long hours during the week and would like to be able to have some downtime but the constant noise and fumes make it impossible to relax until 1pm on Saturday, when we are able to breathe again. Please don't take away the rest of our weekends.

Please do consider local impact and reject the application to extend the working areas.

yours faithfully

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