



PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Application No	2026/0205
Proposal	Change of use from butcher shop (Use Class Ea) to hot food takeaway (Use Class Sui Generis) including installation of extraction equipment on rear elevation.
Address	46 Agnes Road, Barnsley, S70 1NH
Date of Consultation Reply	4 th May 2026
Consultee	Public Health

Consultation Assessment and Justification

Hot Food Takeaway Planning Application – 2026/0205

Barnsley Council is committed to enhancing and diversifying the local food environment, increasing access to nutritious and high-quality food, and addressing diet health issues such as obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease. Given that nearly 40% of Barnsley's children leave primary school overweight or obese, shaping the local food environment is a crucial strategy in supporting healthier lifestyles. A Barnsley food plan has been introduced to improve and diversify the local food environment, increase access to healthy, good quality food, reduce obesity levels and improve obesity related health outcomes, such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

Public Health has reviewed the proposal in line with the latest local and national guidance.

The comments below are made with regard to:

- The **Hot Food Takeaway Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**
- **Planning Advice Note (PAN)** for Hot Food Takeaways
- The **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)**, which requires planning decisions to promote healthy and inclusive communities and to take account of health and wellbeing.
- The **Barnsley Local Plan** and associated planning guidance, which seek to manage the location and concentration of hot food takeaways to support healthier food environments.
- Local public health evidence highlighting the cumulative impact of hot food takeaways on population health outcomes.

Assessment of the Application:

The application seeks a change of use from a butcher's shop to a hot food takeaway on Agnes Rd, Barnsley. The change of use would result in an additional outlet selling



hot takeaway food, increasing the availability and accessibility of energy dense- food options.

While the application indicates that the use would be **takeaway and delivery only**, with no customer seating, Public Health notes that such uses still contribute to the overall food environment and exposure to unhealthy food choices. The absence of seating does not remove or reduce the public health impact associated with the proliferation of hot food takeaways.

The submission does not demonstrate how the application would contribute positively to healthier food provision or mitigate its potential negative impacts on diet and health.

Local Data and Intelligence

- **Obesity and Excess Weight:** Levels of obesity and excessive weight are a significant health concern in Barnsley, with 67.8% of adults either overweight or obese which is 3.8% higher than the national average. Over a third of Barnsley's 10–11-year-olds are overweight or obese, and 23.2% of 4–5-year-olds are overweight (including obese) (NHS England 2024).
- **Kingstone Ward Data:**
 - Population: 10,514
 - The prevalence of overweight (including obesity) 3-year aggregated data (2021/22 – 2023/24) for Reception aged children (4-5 Year Olds) is: 22.2%. (England average is 23.5%)
 - The prevalence of overweight (including obesity) 3-year aggregated data (2021/22 – 2023/24) for Year 6 children (10-11 Year Olds) is: 43.1% (England average 36.2%)

[Barnsley Councils Hot Food Takeaway Planning Advice Note \(PAN\)](#)
[Obesity, physical activity and nutrition | Fingertips | Department of Health and Social Care](#)

Planning Guidance and Assessment

- The NPPF states that “planning decisions should aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places: which enable and support healthy lifestyles”
Proposals for hot food takeaways within electoral ward where the proportion of children 10 to 11- years classified as overweight (including obesity) is more than 40% are likely to conflict with this part of the NPPF. The prevalence of



Conclusion

If further information or clarification is required, please contact Public Health for additional data or guidance

[Obesity, physical activity and nutrition](#) | [Fingertips](#) | [Department of Health and Social Care](#)

		OBJECT
<u>Consultation Suggested Conditions:</u>		
<u>Consultation Informative(s):</u>		
<u>Planning Obligations required:</u>		