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Bakery lorries 'causing havoc' to residents

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"PLEASE don't ignore us, Richmond council" is the plea from residents in Gould Road, Twickenham, this week who are exasperated by large lorries causing havoc outside their homes.



Simon Cutler sent photographs to the Times of a pavement bollard he claims was knocked over by a lorry delivering to Greggs Bakery in Gould Road. Another picture shows a group of bakery staff 'bumping' a private parked car aside to make way for a delivery lorry.

Mr Cutler lives in Gould Road and 18 months ago he and other residents invited a councillor to meet them to discuss implementing a 7.5 ton vehicle limit for Edwin Road, Crane Road, May Road and Gould Road.

Mr Cutler says: "We were assured by incoming supplies manager Ian Blackwood of Greggs Bakery plant that no vehicle would attempt a delivery or run its engine in Gould Road before 7am. Yet this morning I was woken by a lorry idling its engine at 6.30am.

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Mr Cutler says many about staff discarding

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"As part of our continuing survey which was carried out in the report."

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A council spokesman

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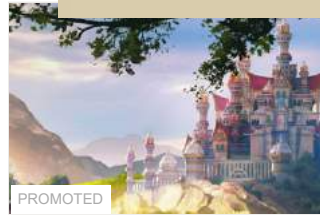
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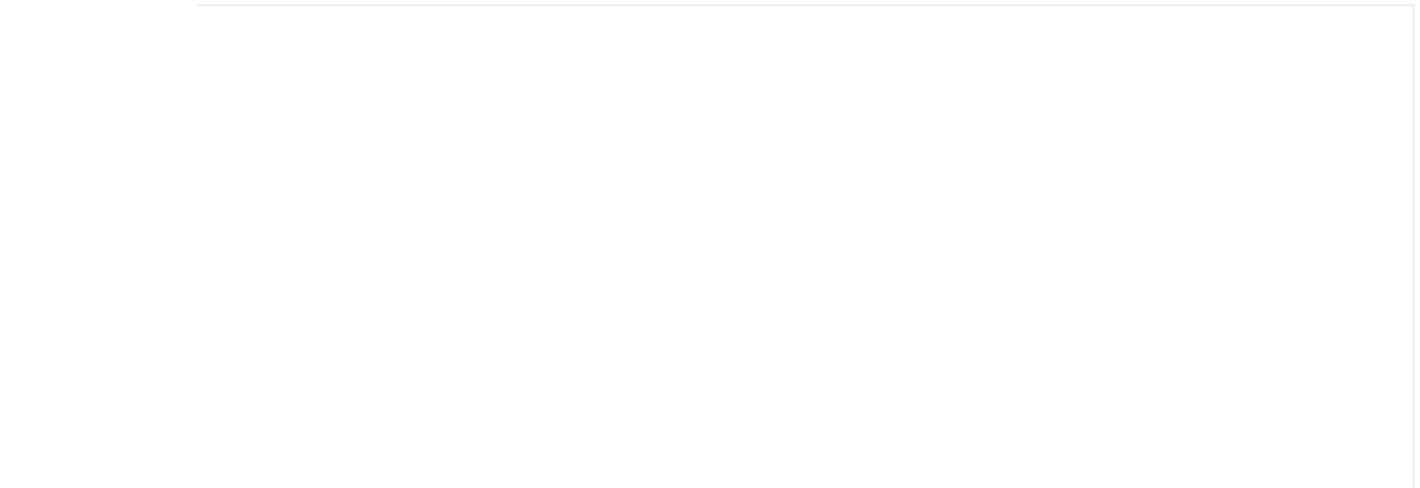


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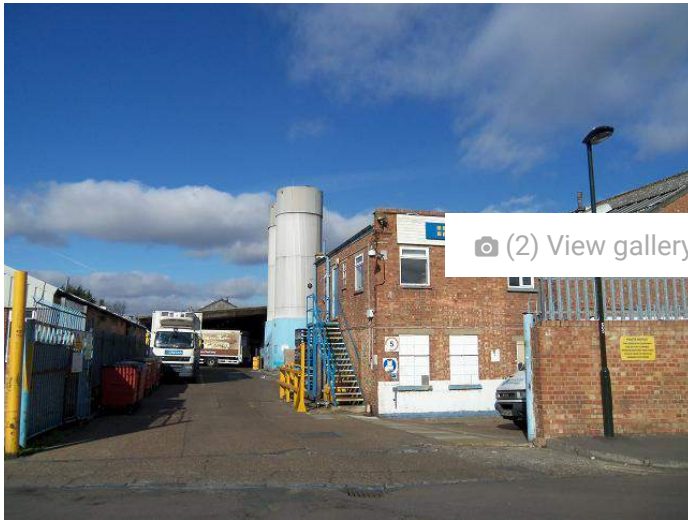
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A Greggs lorry was allegedly attacked at a depot in Twickenham last night and one man attempted to block others getting into the site this morning.

A shower screen and white paint were allegedly thrown at the lorry, which was parked in the depot serving 138 stores across London and the south-east.

Greggs has reported the incident to the police and said it was treating it "with great concern".

Neighbours have complained about the noise caused by HGV lorries that often lined Edwin Road, where the industrial-scale bakery is situated.

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The main problem is the noise the lorries make, but there s also problems with utter, congestion and parking - with the
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He said: "I don't think that's right. I do not agree with that kind of action."

Manager Amanda Eastlaugh called a meeting with residents on Wednesday, February 22, which attracted about 50 people.

Following the meeting, residents joined forces and were now planning a campaign against Greggs.

After just six weeks living across the road from the site Edwin Road resident, Simon Baird, 34, distributed a leaflet to
neighbours, calling for Greggs bosses to relocate the site or ban lorries accessing the site between 10pm and 6am.

He said: "I think the meeting has actually been more detrimental to them, because now we have all met and exchanged
numbers. There's a really strong community spirit."

Mr Baird's housemate, Tim Spurling, 34, who has lived at the property for three-and-a-half years, had been aware of
problems with the site for a long time.

He said: "People are getting to the stage where they cannot take anymore – especially the older residents."

Mr Baird, whose bedroom is at the front of the house, said he was often woken throughout the night by the trucks and the
busiest times were at midnight, 2am and 5am.

The next step for residents was to take the matter to the council, with the possibility of seeking a noise abatement notice
for the site.

A Greggs spokesman said: "We understand residents are concerned and we are treating their concerns seriously.

"We will try to do as much as possible. We are now looking at ways to reduce the impact on the local people."

The battle between Edwin Road residents and Greggs has been long running, with one person stating at the meeting on
Wednesday that he had been fighting against these problems for 50 years.

Mr Martin said: "I think that they have outgrown their premises, because they have trucks queuing in the road – whereas

Police were unable to comment.

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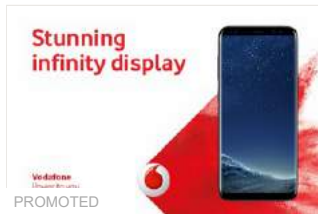
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