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Good morning,

I attempted to send the following objection this morning to be informed that there was a problem with the system. I would be gratdeful if you would accept my objection which follows.

Regards

Philip Robinson

This application egregiously flouts the Council's *Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 -2021*, particularly in its lack of promotion of the Licensing Objective in respect of the prevention of **public nuisance**.

I recognise that the Licensing Authority "wishes to maintain and protect the amenity of residents and businesses from the potential consequence of the operation of licensed premises whilst recognising the valuable cultural, social and business importance provided by such premises". (para 8.1)

The applicant does not address any of the factors that the Council gives as a potential for concern (para 8.2) such as:

- the location of the premises within 4 and at most 65 metres of residential accommodation set in a contiguous quadrilateral that amplifies sound
- the hours of opening until midnight on five days with an extension to 01:00 on
 Friday and Saturday
- the design and layout of the premises without any detail of the presence of noise limiting features
- without any indication of planned occupancy capacity
- the consequence of the only available public transport being taxis, the drivers of whom will invariably collect from New Park carpark
- no recognition of any obligation to manage the 'wind down period'

- no statement as to last admission time
- no reference to the age and type of clientele.

The application does not address any issues relating to the duty of the Licensing Authority to promote **public safety**, section M c in the application is blank. This is a significant gap and of itself sufficient to give the Committee grounds for withholding approval. The applicant does not specify the maximum number of occupants in the building, (staff and customers) allowing potential over-crowding.

The applicant states "When regulated entertainment is taking place, all doors and windows of the premises will remain closed other than for access/egress at the front of the premises" There is no mention of escape routes, nor the arrangements to enable disabled people to safely evacuate the premises in the event of an emergency.

The applicant's description of steps intended to prevent crime and disorder are generic and could apply to any application for an extension to the hours in which alcohol can be served.

This is a fundamentally flawed application that disregards the principles in the Council's own guidance and should be unambiguously rejected.

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