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Subject: Bonar

Dear Sirs

I am the owner occupier of a house at Wallside Barbican. I chair the Wallside House Group and the Barbican Association Liaison Group with 2 Libdob Wall Place which has had continuous dialogue with the managers about residents concerns including licensing .

Wallside is situated in Monkwell Square and has direct access both at highwalk level and at ground level through the road St Alphage Gardens to and from 2 London Wall Place . Licensed premises in the immediate vicinity include, at high walk level ,the City Boot and Jamie's (which are not active at weekends) and Pizza Express which is , at ground level the Wood Street Bar and Barbican Kitchen (active at weekends when the Barbican Centre is active) and the other Barbican bars and restaurants also active at the weekends .

I would like to point out that in spite of the existence of the Liaison Group and the previous experience of the Enoteca consultation there has been no attempt in this case to consult local residents or to take into account the residents concerns and resulting agreed proposals resulting from the Enoteca consultation for these premises a year ago with which I was involved.

As a result it is my view that the applicant has deliberately ignored known concerns relating to off sales from these premises where I would ask for a condition for sales to be not permitted or at a minimum in closed containers. Since the previous application was withdrawn the London Wall Place Gardens including the restoration of the St Alphage Church area immediately adjacent to the cafe have come to be used and appreciated by residents ,as well evidently by office workers ,as a peaceful and extremely well maintained area and this has recently been further enhanced by the completion of the City's own works including the installation of considerable further seating close to the cafe . This increases the concern that off sales will encourage drinking in open areas after whatever hours are agreed for the premises with the prospect of noisy groups drinking near or in the residential areas and making their way home past front doors and bedrooms .

In relation to those hours, these premises are close to various parts of the Barbican Residential Estate including Wallside and the Postern as well as Andrewes and Willoughby Houses and are proposing licensing hours which will exceed those of the surrounding licensed premises all of whom restrict outside eating and drinking taking into account the concerns of residents and ,as indicated above ,a number do not open at weekends . I therefore request that the licensing hours sought should be limited to 21.00 Monday to Saturday in view of the proposed use of the outside terrace and that the closing of the cafe shutters after that time should be a condition .

Regards

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