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To: <u>M&CP - Licensing</u>

Subject: Licensing application 23/03201/AAPNEW

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Dear Sir/Madam

I live at Wine Office Court, London EC4A 3BY. I would like to object to this licensing application. There are a large number of pubs and licensed restaurants already in the area, as well as the "metro" versions of three supermarkets which all sell alcohol. We do not need another establishment selling alcohol and in particular with the hours mentioned.

The immediate area is already attracting more anti-social behaviour given that it is currently in a state of flux (due to the sheer extent of building works around us). In the summer teenagers were harassing staff in shops and we also had several break-ins in the area. People are flouting the rules as rubbish are left out during the day. I have seen a large increase in homeless people sleeping in alleyways just off Fleet Street and on one occasion within my own property (as pointed out to me by my neighbour while I was away). This is a group of people prone to alcohol abuse and the addition of another very available source of alcohol will increase their own vulnerability as well as that of those people in their immediate environs. I have also seen groups of youths on bikes in the area, on occasions abusing alcohol.

The provision of a licence to sell alcohol off site will just exacerbate the delicate situation that the area currently faces and put the community at risk of increased crime, disorder and public nuisance. I want to live in a safe and clean community that takes every step possible to ensure that anti-social behaviour and crime is minimised. The granting of a licence to this establishment certainly does not constitute one of these steps.

For the reasons given above I object to this application and request that you decline it.

Thank you and kind regards

Dan Langan