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City of London Licensing Authority
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Re: Application by the Meat Company Aldersgate Ltd for a premises licence under the Licensing Act of 2003 for a bar and restaurant at Unit 3, 200 Aldersgate Street EC1

As a property owner and resident at the above address and council tax payer in the City of London for twelve years, I wish to object to the above application of that could, if granted, lead to late night disturbance, affecting my quality of life and possibly the value of my residential property. As an academic and legal consultant, I work at home both during and after business hours.

I have first-hand experience of the damaging impact of licensed premises on neighbouring residents of the City of London. When I lived in Milton House in Little Britain, my experience of the late night noise and street disturbance caused patrons of the Spectator wine bar, gives me strong cause to object to the above application. In the case of the Spectator wine bar, although it closed by midnight, there would be noise in the street until the early hours of the morning, as patrons concluded their drinking and other "arrangements" on the footpath outside the wine bar. Due to smoking restrictions, many patrons inhabited the footpath and the narrow street for the duration of the evening from about 5pm until 01.30am. On several occasions I had to call the police as they were not only obstructing the traffic but also the entrance to Milton House opposite.

In the present case the application is for longer hours and week-ends also, so the negative impact on residents of London House would be all the more marked. In addition, given the application for live and recorded music into the early hours of the night; and the air handling plant; residents of London House would be kept from their sleep not only by the alcohol fuelled antics of patrons and the relentless beat of the "dance music"; but also by unremitting whirr and vibration of machinery.

Should the above application be approved, the impact on the 80 residents of London House would be contrary to the City's licensing objectives, in particular:

- The prevention of public nuisance (as indicated above);
- Public safety;
- The protection of children from harm and;
- The prevention of crime and disorder.

In sum, my objection is based on the proposition that as a resident of the City of London I and my fellow residents in London House, are entitled to the peace and quiet between the hours of 2300 and 0700.

Kind regards,

Gail Elizabeth Evans