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**Sent:** 19 May 2014 10:18  
**To:** M&CP - Licensing  
**Cc:** Nilesh Parmar  
**Subject:** Objection to plans- 200 aldersgate st

Dear Sir/Madam

We are writing to formally object to the application made by the Meat Company who are interested in setting up in the vacant unit next to London House- 172 Aldersgate St, EC1A4HU. We understand that this application is for sale of alcohol and late night food, drinks and late night entertainment which is of serious concern for us as residents and owners of [REDACTED] in London House. We have held this property since 2007 and have direct experience of some unsavoury issues we faced when there was a similar licenced establishment operating nearby and recall several instances where police were called due to noise and drunk and disorderly behaviour and I am also aware of a mugging that took place at that time directly outside London House. It is clear that this application is likely to lead to the same issues. Our specific concerns are detailed below:

1. Noise and disruption affecting the peaceful enjoyment of residents- there is no doubt that this will cause a severe headache for residents whose apartments face the street with late night shouting, drunken behaviour spilling out onto the street, the noise of taxi's beeping horns and waiting outside not to mention the illegal cab trade which we saw plenty of evidence of the last time there was a similar establishment nearby. In addition we will see cigarette butts, empty or half empty glasses and vomit on the street as is the norm outside city establishments that we have witnessed ourselves. We have a 2 year old child and this noise, mess and disruption is a real concern for us.
2. I understand that to facilitate the restaurant, bar and entertainment uses, there will be an installation of additional extractor fans for the kitchens, which will cause cooking smells and further noise affecting all apartments at the front of the building. This is on top of the noise we would already face by patrons coming and going, outside smokers/drinkers, and from waiting taxis/minicabs.
3. I understand that a further air handling plant will be required facing the back of London House meaning all apartments at the rear will be affected by noise including ours.
4. It is also likely that crime in our residential area will increase, inebriated patrons leading inevitably to brawls, fights over taxi's, pick pocketing and even assaults are all a reality when we think seriously about the impact of such an application in a residential area.

I would expect that the city of London council will protect our rights as residents and parents to enjoy a peaceful existence in our home without having to deal with all of the above. I would like to add that residents have not been consulted about this application and believe this is highly inappropriate.

Please kindly acknowledge this formal objection.

Regards

Salina Gilhotra and Nilesh Parmar