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From: Simons CC, Jeremy
Sent: 31 May 2018 14:24
To: M&CP - Licensing
Subject: VARIATION TO THE PREMISES LICENSE: MERCHANT HOUSE BRIDE COURT

Dear Mesdames and Sirs,

I am writing as a local resident and a Common Councilman for the Ward of Castle Baynard to object to the variation to the premises licence sought by Merchant House.

If the variation is granted there is a high likelihood of public nuisance. In my experience the probability of public nuisance increases dramatically where a licenced premises is in close proximity to residential properties. This is the case the premises is cheek-by-jowl with residences.

The opening hours sought include Saturday, when most nearby bars are closed. This will encourage the manager to permit use by private parties, increasing yet further the potential for public nuisance, and preventing local residents having the quiet enjoyment of their homes. Given the close proximity of residents, a restriction preventing any renting-out for private use should be imposed.

I am concerned that drinking or smoking outside the premises will also cause a nuisance. The door to the premises should remain closed except for access or egress. Noise from customers dispersing from the premises is also likely to be a problem.

I therefore object to this application.

Yours sincerely,

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