From: M&CP - Licensing

Subject: Objection to premises licence for Gopuff, 171-176 Aldersgate Street

Date: 12 April 2022 10:34:48

THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of the City of London Licensing Authority

As the joint owner with my wife of a residential flat next door at London House (172 Aldersgate), I am writing to object to a 24 hour, 7 day a week premises alcohol licence next door to a residential building on the following grounds.

(1) The prevention of crime and disorder

• Sale of alcohol on a 24/7 basis is highly likely to result in anti-social behaviour below/in front of a residential building.

(2) Public safety

- The road outside and near the unit, is narrow, busy, and with a double yellow parking restriction. Therefore deliveries will be difficult. If trucks are parked outside the unit, they are on a blind corner for traffic coming off the roundabout, often at relatively fast speeds, and represents a significant public safety threat with a significantly increased chance of road traffic collisions.
- With the bicycle lane ending right outside 171 Aldersgate, the threat to cyclists and other vulnerable road users, who will be forced in short order to change lane, adding to the above probability of RTCs.
- A warehouse operation will result in an enormous amount of cardboard/plastic packaging to dispose of. The bin area is shared with London House and this area is not suitable for this volume of waste. This also creates a fire risk for London House.

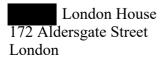
(3) The prevention of public nuisance

- London House has a wide range of residents, elderly people with mobility issues, people working from home, key workers on night shift who need to sleep during the day, babies in prams. So a 24/7 warehouse operation is far too disruptive in a residential building.
- Drivers congregating outside London House 24/7, smoking, chatting which will cause disturbance to residents, particularly at anti-social hours.
- Bicycles being left outside London House on what is already a narrow pavement. The congregation of bikes and drivers will restrict access to pedestrians.
- Trucks unloading deliveries 24/7 causing disturbance to residents.
- The extractor fans for the unit are located on the roof terrace of London House. These may be on 24/7 thereby causing disturbance (noise and smell) to residents.

I look forward to hearing the outcome of the application in due course.

Best regards

Pete Flynn



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