From: M&CP - Licensing

To: Gaiger, Jack

Subject: FW: Objection to Licensing Application by Gopuff for Natural Kitchen premises, 176 Aldersgate Street

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Subject: Objection to Licensing Application by Gopuff for Natural Kitchen premises, 176 Aldersgate Street

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To: licensing@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Re: Licensing application by Gopuff for former Natural Kitchen premises, 176 Aldersgate Street, London EC1

From: Eloise Logan, at London House, 172 Aldersgate Street, London EC1A 4HU

I am an owner-occupier of a in the residential building in Aldersgate Street that is directly above the premises previously operated by Natural Kitchen. I would be impacted directly by the proposed development and I would like to object to the proposal.

I feel that the introduction of warehousing/delivery in a location never intended for that use (176 Aldersgate St) is inappropriate. It would bring a light industrial development to an area at present solidly offices and residential, and additionally well-known for cultural activities: with both the Barbican Arts Centre and Museum of London nearby.

Specific detailed concerns include:

- Sale of alcohol, possibly on a 24/7 basis, could cause noise and anti-social behaviour below an entirely residential building, within a largely residential area.
- Delivery drivers waiting outside London House 24/7, would cause a both a nuisance to residents and block the pavement for passers-by.
- Bicycles/motorscooters being left outside London House 24/7 on what is already a narrow pavement, would cause a nuisance and restrict access to pedestrians.
- Trucks unloading deliveries 24/7 would cause major disturbance to road users and residents. The street outside the unit is marked with double yellow lines, making deliveries difficult. Trucks parked outside the unit would be on a blind corner for traffic coming off the Rotunda roundabout.
- The rear doors to the unit are located beside the London House car lift entrance/exit, which is narrow, and busy use of these would clearly cause a nuisance to car lift users. Any careless parking would put the LH car lift completely out of use.
- London House does not have a 24-hour concierge. Consequently a 24/7 light industrial operation where there is a high staff turnover (drivers who are self-employed) could pose a security risk. In order to better protect LH security, we may need to have a 24-hour concierge, and most probably upgraded security measures and insurance, which would inevitably increase the LH service charge.
- The extractor fans for the unit are located on the roof terrace of London House. These could be running 24/7, causing nuisance in terms of noise and smell for residents. There is a further outlet to the outside space at the rear of the outlet which has in the past caused nuisance for those rear flats (32 included) in LH which are above

- A warehouse operation would result in an enormous amount of cardboard/plastic packaging waste. The bin area is shared with London House and this area is nowhere near adequate for this volume of waste. It would also create a substantial fire risk for London House.
- 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, young families with sleeping babies and/or pushchairs needing pavement access whose ability to peacefully enjoy their property would be seriously disrupted by a 24/7 warehouse operation beneath our residential building.

best regards,

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