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To:	M&CP - Licensing
Subject:	Application for a premises licence by the University of Chicago Booth School of Business at 1 Bartholomew Close Barts Square EC1A 7BL
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THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL

Dear Sir,

I wish to object to the above application on the following grounds:

1. The building occupied by the Business School was built for, and had permission as, offices. It is now partly occupied as an academic institution. The current application to permit the sale of alcohol, light refreshments and to provide live entertainment until 3 am is entirely contrary to its current uses and an inappropriate use of the building in a densely populated area.

2. Bartholomew Close and Barts Square are densely populated and mainly residential areas valued for their quiet and peaceful atmosphere in contrast to the surrounding commercial streets. A licence permitting these activities upto 3 am will inevitably disturb residents of the flats and houses in Barts Square and Bartholomew Close. Permitting the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises, and having events where large numbers of people are leaving the premises late at night would be equally disruptive.

3. If the school wishes to provide catering facilities for its students and staff while they are in attendance, a simple on licence limited to reasonable hours should suffice. Similarly if it wishes to organise performances as part of its purpose as a college these can be limited to reasonable hours which would be less likely to cause disruption to neighbours.

For the above reasons the application should be refused.

Yours faithfully

Hugo Hodge

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Sent from my iPad