

Tudor Street
London EC4Y 0DD
4th February 2024

To: City of London Licensing Team

Premises License Application: Townhouse Group 10-11 Great New Street London EC4A 3BN

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to object to the above application which seeks permission to permit the sale of alcohol 09:00-23:00 Monday to Sunday.

New Street Square is surrounded by offices and retail units to the north, west and east, and residential blocks immediately to the south and east (Pemberton House and 4 Pemberton Row). The residential dwellings are near the Square and have clear lines of sight to open areas and retail outlets with no intervening buildings to attenuate noise.

Residents living nearby are already unable to enjoy the amenities of their homes in the summer due to noise from customers of licensed premises in the square drinking outside. This has been exacerbated by the decision of central government (the Business and Planning Act 2020) to disapply existing off-sales restrictions before 11pm on existing premises licenses with a likely intention to make this permanent.

The application states that the premises is a nail salon and retail store and the sale of alcohol will be an ancillary activity for consumption on the premises only.

To avoid a breach of one of the four licensing objectives namely the prevention of public nuisance to residents, I request the following conditions are added to the premises license if the application is granted:

The terminal hour for the sale of alcohol ceases at 7pm every day.

And that the following model conditions are added to the premises license:

MC 17 - Customers permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them.

MC18 - There shall be no sale of alcohol in unsealed containers for consumption off the premises.

MC19 - The Licence holder shall make available a contact telephone number to nearby residents and the City of London Licensing Team to be used in the event of complaints arising.

MC28 - There shall be no sales of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

Please acknowledge receipt of this objection and let me know when the hearing will take place to consider this application.

Your sincerely

Graham Packham CC

Ward Member Castle Baynard