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Re: 50 Oxford Street Licence Application

Dear Hayley Montague,

I would like to make a representation regarding the proposed license application at 50 Oxford Street.

My representation is based upon the following concerns:-

1. The prevention of crime and disorder;

Oxford Street is a residential area with restaurants. We have lived at number 12 Oxford Street since 1997 and noticed a significant increase in noise and disorder in recent years. Willow restaurant has become Cargo a pub/restaurant that has a licence until 11pm although recently this seems to have become midnight some evenings. Since the opening of Cargo, we have seen an increase in public disorder including seeing men urinating on our railings right in front of our sitting room window. I fear a further increase in disorder if 50 Oxford street were granted a licence for music and dancing, let alone a licence until 2 am every night.

We have already had to move our son's bedroom to the back of the house so that he does not have to hear the language shouted in the street in the evenings.

2. The prevention of public nuisance

The presence of Cargo has seen an increase in public nuisance, from noise and bad language, and vomit on our steps and on the pavement. It would seem inevitable that all these will increase from what is likely to be a nightclub with a licence for alcohol, music and dancing for extended hours 7 days a week. This is totally unacceptable in a residential area.

3. The protection of children from harm.

There are a number of young children in the area. We have had to move our son's bedroom to the back of the house to reduce his exposure to foul language on Oxford Street. Even at the back he is sometimes woken by noise from the beer garden to the rear of Cargo. It is sad that a 4 year old has to be exposed to what he calls 'drunken idiots'. I certainly do not want him to be exposed to more people vomiting on our steps or urinating on our railings.

When the Oxford Street residents association was in existence , any planning application other than for a restaurant was vigorously opposed. In recent years there have been even more families and more young children in the area. It is unacceptable to have a night club in this area.

The image shows two handwritten signatures. The one on the left is in blue ink and appears to be 'M. Spinelli'. The one on the right is in red ink and appears to be 'Duncan Russell'.

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