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### **4 Mevsim, 640-642 Lordship Lane, N22 5JH**

I am writing on behalf of the three Woodside Councillors to object to the application for a 24-hour licence for alcohol sales at these premises. We get a lot of complaints from residents about anti-social behaviour and drinking along this stretch of Lordship Lane. Residents feel intimidated by groups of men drinking and smoking on the pavement, particularly outside the three betting shops in the parade from 606 to 646 Lordship Lane. Drinking is also a problem in the nearby Chapmans Green, which means that local residents do not feel safe using the park. The drinking also results in serious litter problems and men urinating in the park. Given that the area is adversely affected by street drinking and anti-social behaviour, we do not consider that a 24-hour licence is justified and the application does not give sufficient assurances that the licensing objectives will be met.

Haringey's Statement of Licensing Policy states that there will be a presumption that permitted hours for the sale of alcohol will be restricted to between 8am and 11.30pm on Sunday to Thursday and 8am to midnight on Friday and Saturday in respect of premises in residential areas being adversely affected by street drinking issues (paragraph 7). We believe this applies in this case as there are flats above the shops on Lordship Lane and the surrounding area is residential. Street drinking is certainly an issue here.

On the first licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder, Haringey's Statement recognises that premises offering late night alcohol can become a serious source of crime and disorder or anti-social behaviour problems (paragraph 54). We do not believe that the application demonstrates that an appropriate risk assessment has been carried out of the potential sources of crime and disorder associated with the operation of the premises. If a licence is granted, then we hope there will be suitable conditions to address the known anti-social behaviour issues in the area, such as not selling single cans, joining the Responsible Retailer Scheme, and not selling beer, lager or cider with an alcohol volume of 6.5% or more.

The licensing objective of the prevention of public nuisance should require a risk assessment of the potential sources of nuisance posed to the local community by the proposed 24 hour operation. Haringey's Statement encourages applicants to complete a risk assessment (paragraph 147). There is no evidence that one has been undertaken and there is no operating schedule as required in paragraph 4 of Haringey's Statement. Residents walking home, particularly late at night, feel unsafe when there are men drinking on the pavement. Those living above the shops on Lordship Lane could be disturbed by customers visiting the shop at all hours of the night.

As this application is for a 24-hour licence, we do not understand why the applicant states that a condition will be accepted that sales of alcohol will not be carried out at any other time than the permitted opening hours. This is irrelevant if sales are permitted on a 24/7 basis.

Haringey's Statement of Licensing Policy points out that the borough has some of the greatest levels of alcohol related problems in London. We see this along Lordship Lane and in Chapmans Green. The street drinking and associated anti-social behaviour has a wider community impact and we therefore cannot support this application.

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