

Dear Sir/Madam,

We Love Myddleton Road would like to strongly object **to the alcohol licence application for "Traditional Cafe and Tea House (Greek)" at 78 Myddleton Road, Wood Green, London N22 8NQ on the grounds of:**

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- the prevention of public nuisance
- public safety

The proposal for another licensed members only club on Myddleton Road would add to the two existing members only clubs - Bar Nicosia and New Salamis on the street and the recently closed clubs at 94 and 75 Myddleton Road. The presence of these de facto male clubs has created an intimidating atmosphere for women on the street, so much so that this was one of the main reasons that Women's' Safety was selected as the number one priority for the next few months for the Bounds Green Ward at the recent Bounds Green Safer Neighbourhood Team Ward Panel Open Meeting on Monday 22 January.

In addition, the opening of the club at No.78 has coincided with the neighbouring premises at No. 80 covering the majority of its frontage with opaque film, reportedly because of concerns about the clientele from No.78.

We also have concerns about the record of the owner of No.78 "pushing the envelope" repeatedly with regards to the use of these premises and whether this would be repeated should they obtain an alcohol license. The most recent planning application to Haringey for No.78 (HGY/2023/1772) was for a single one bedroom flat with additional office accommodation, plus the retail unit to be used as a public cafe. In fact, the public cafe has been acting as a private members club since that time despite assurances to the Haringey Planning Department that it was actually a public cafe. This alcohol license application seems to confirm that the applicant is at the very least looking to use it as a private club in the future if they are not doing so at the present.

Closer examination of HGY/2023/1772 would we believe reveal to a more sceptical viewer that what are labelled as a one bedroom flat and office accommodation may well be used as a two bedroom flat and a further single bedroom flat. When the front of the premises was not curtained off domestic appliances could indeed be seen in the "office accommodation".

Finally, there is unease in the local community about objecting to this application because the details of objectors are made publicly available. We believe that this demonstrates deep-seated concerns about the premises and should be grounds for concern in and of itself.

We believe that there is sufficient evidence available to demonstrate that the granting of an alcohol license to these premises could increase public nuisance and crime & disorder and endanger public safety so the license should be refused.

Yours faithfully,

Daniel Cowan

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