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POLICE REPRESENTATION

APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE – 78 WEST GREEN ROAD, TOTTENHAM, LONDON N15 5NS

Dear Licensing,

I write on behalf of the Commissioner of the Police of the Metropolis. This application is made by an agent Mr Nick Semper on behalf of Mr Saheb Ahmadi.

The times requested for the premises are:

Late Night Refreshment

Sunday to Thursday	2300 to 0100 hours
Friday to Saturday	2300 to 0200 hours

Sale of Alcohol

Sunday to Thursday	1100 to 0100 hours
Friday to Saturday	1100 to 0200 hours

Supply of alcohol **ON** and **OFF** the premises.

The above licensable activities extended to 0200hrs on Valentine's Day, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Hours open to Public

Sunday to Thursday	1100 to 0100 hours
Friday to Saturday	1100 to 0200 hours

Extended to 0200hrs on Valentine's Day, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

The applicant has described his business as "Latino Restaurant" only. I wish to make representations to against this application, because if granted I believe the following licensing objectives will not be upheld:

- **The prevention of public nuisance.**
- **The prevention of crime and disorder.**

This premises is on a narrow high street, with residential apartments on the first and second floors on both sides along the street. At the rear of the premises are the back gardens of dwellings on Beaconsfield Road. This premises is in a residential neighborhood. Below are pictures of the premises from the front, and the view from above.



As already referred to, the applicant has given only a brief description of the business as a “Latino restaurant”. The applicant is seeking a licence to sell alcohol and late night refreshment until 01:00 on Sunday to Thursday, and until 02:00 Friday to Saturday. In a residential neighborhood, these late hours come with a risk that loud noise emanating from the premises will carry over and cause a disturbance to nearby residents, thereby disrupting their sleep. Patrons leaving the premises when it closes at 01:00 or 02:00, are likely to leave intoxicated and by loitering on or walking loudly down West Green Road, would cause anti-social behavior or worse for local residents. The timings of 01:00 from Sunday to Thursday, are likely to cause a significant sleep disturbance to nearby residents on nights prior to a working day. The hours proposed would mean this premises would be open for longer than any other licensed premises on West Green Road on between Sunday to Thursday. And on Friday and Saturday, the hours mean it would be one of the latest premises operating on that street. This risk is also recognised in the planning conditions, which in respect of this premises allows the working hours to be within 07:00 to 23:00.

The carrying on of licensable activities at these late hours comes with a risk of crime and disorder and public nuisance. The applicant should demonstrate in his operating schedule that he understands this risk and provide robust safeguards to prevent such risks from occurring. In respect of public nuisance, the applicant has stated that “premises licence holder will operate the business with general consideration in respect of the neighbouring properties”, this is a general condition that is unenforceable because it is too vague, and the licensing guidance state that such vague conditions should be

avoided. The applicant instead needs to detail specific measures that he will abide by to prevent public nuisance. Likewise it is also stated that “the licence holder shall ensure no noise or vibration emanates from the premises so as to cause a nuisance”, but has not detailed any specific measures. I am left with the impression that the applicant does not have a credible plan to mitigate the risks to public nuisance, which causes me to fear that granting this application as it is would cause public nuisance.

On Monday 18 November 2024, I have corresponded by email with Mr Semper who has agreed to amend the application to add the following conditions:

- “A direct telephone number for the manager at the premises shall be publicly available at all times the premises is open. This telephone number is to be made available to residents and businesses in the vicinity.”
- “The supply of alcohol at the premises shall only be to a person seated taking a substantial table meal there and for consumption by such a person as ancillary to their meal.”
- “The supply of alcohol shall be by waiter or waitress service only.”
- “All sealed containers of alcoholic drinks sold for consumption off the premises must be clearly labelled or marked with the name and postcode of the premises.”

However Mr Semper did not agree to reduce the licensable hours to be within the planning conditions. He told me that the purpose of the late hours is to provide service to people leaving other licensed premises to provide them with a meal.

In conclusion, although the applicant has gone somewhat to address my concerns. I remain concerned that the late operating hours of this premises creates a public nuisance risk. And in relation to other late night premises on that road increases the cumulative risk of crime and disorder in the locality.

Yours faithfully,



Police Constable Francis Peters
Licensing officer – North Area BCU