

## Responses from Interested Parties

Alex Gordon Shute

Wed, Jul 7,  
6:33 PM

to me, Alun

Dear Ian

Attached is the withdrawal of my objection, for the Tower Hamlets Licencing Team. I have also given my colleagues on the SPIRE Committee (local community group which deals with licensing issues) full details of our correspondence and encouraged them to reconsider in their personal capacities, and see whether SPIRE might issue something to a wider audience locally about a SPIRE view on withdrawing objections. I can't do more than that, and I hope that produces some useful outcomes for you. Good luck with your Spitalfields venture. Given what you've said about it, I very much hope you succeed. And thank you for your engagement – it's much appreciated.

Warmest wishes  
Alex Gordon Shute  
Resident

*Dear Ian*

*Thank you so much for your response*

*It seems the application and notice provided nothing of this evidence of the quality and style of operation being proposed.*

*I will withdraw our objection and thank you for this response which reassures both my wife and I that this is a great addition to our local facilities*

*Best wishes*

*Chris Dyson  
Architect  
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Daniel Headey

Wed, Jul 14,  
6:07 PM

to me, Alun

Apologies for the delay Ian.

Ok. I didn't realise it was going to be a classy joint. I knee-jerked. Because a lot of things that spring up are flash-in-the-pan tat. And cause vehement partying and noise pollution. I'm hoping yours won't.

I reconsider my objection...which obviously means we don't object any more. And I look forward to having a taste of your wares.

Kind regards.  
Daniel Headey & Win Kwok.

*Daniel Headey*

*Wed, Jul 14,  
6:14 PM*

*to Lavine, me*

*Hello.*

*I now have reconsidered my opposition to this premises licence.  
I now no longer object.*

*Thank you.*

**Garfield Smith**

**Mon, Jul 5,  
10:45 AM**

**to Lavine, me**

**Dear Mr Lavine,**

**On the basis that the application for Mr Hart's licence is made and granted subject to the conditions attached, I withdraw my objection to the licence.**

**Yours sincerely,**

**Garfield Smith**

*From: John and Sandy Critchley*

*Sent: 09 July 2021 09:19*

*To: Licensing <[Licensing@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing@towerhamlets.gov.uk)>*

*Cc: 'Critchley'*

*Subject: RE: Licensing application for an alcohol licence for 149 Commercial Street,*

*Dear Licensing Department,*

*We would like to withdraw our objection to this application: indeed, we would now like to support its approval by the Licensing Committee.*

*We have been briefed by the applicant and have followed his correspondence with the SPIRE committee and feel that this change at 149 Commercial Street will be of benefit to the area and residents.*

*With best wishes,  
John and Sandy Critchley*

Jade Fenster

Fri, Jul 16,  
10:50 AM

to Lavine, me

Hi Lavine, and hello Ian,

Apologies for the delay.

Thank you for clarifying and apologies that the neighbours were wrongly referring to business as a Gentleman's Club, that is very unfair. I am happy a small brand is moving in and Ian congratulations on the success during the past year that is amazing that you can expand and provide new jobs.

My only specific concern is the use of the outdoor space out back. What tends to happen with businesses, offices, apartments around here is no matter what they say - whenever the weather is nice they of course want to make use of any outdoor space and parties tend to go on into the night. Sound really bounces and amplifies and we already have construction from the early morning for years - so any break of peace is glorious at this point.

We have a lot of elderly neighbours and none of our 300 year old houses cannot have double glazing on the windows. Most houses here are one room deep meaning it is like sleeping with your head right by a street window - honestly the wind blows and you feel it in inside as if the windows were open so it is the same with sound. We all love living in the city and expect noise, it is just a push back perhaps on new businesses coming in that don't really help maintain the balance.

Apart from that no objection and welcome to the neighbourhood.

Best,

Jade

*From: Jonathan Stebbins*

*Sent: 19 July 2021 09:10*

*To: Lavine Miller-Johnson <*

*Subject: RE: Objection to Licencing Application: EMS Corp Ltd - 149 Commercial St E1 6BJ*

*Dear Ms Miller-Johnson,*

*We trust that all is well.*

*SPIRE would like to withdraw its objection to the above referenced application.*

*Yours Sincerely*

*Jonathan STEBBINS*

*Chair*

*SPIRE*

Dear Ian (and Licensing Team),

I would just like to say thank you so much for the personal and detailed response to my email that went to the council about my concerns. It actually means a lot that you have bothered to do this and to explain more about your company and what will be going on at the location. Sadly, I live near a pub who don't care about the community and the noise/customer issues from them have been pretty relentless since they opened, so I am now probably a bit more wary of new applications that go in to the council when the premises isn't too far from me. It's also really amazing that you have taken concerns into consideration and have amended your opening hours. This has completely set my mind at rest, and I remove any objections that I had when I read the licensing application.

What you are doing looks amazing, and if I still drank, I would definitely be in to sample! But having said that, I spend a lot of time with those who still do drink, so I'm sure I will be in, even if I'm only interested in the Fever Tree mixers. It's also really fab that you have an environmental perspective and your distillery uses less energy than others.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to get back to me and I really do wish you luck with this project.

With best wishes,  
Katie

Katie Ruane

*Dear Lavine Miller-Johnson*

*I wish to withdraw my objection to the proposals for 149 Commercial Street. E1  
Having met with the owners and understood their plans, I am reassured that they do not pose the problems of noise and antisocial behaviour I first imagined.*

*I assume there are strict rules applied to premises selling alcohol and trust Tower Hamlets will be applying them.*

*Yours Sincerely,  
Mary Harty*

**From:** Fergus Crawford <  
**Sent:** 09 August 2021 21:25  
**To:** Lavine Miller-Johnson <  
**Cc:** Fergus & Bronach Crawford <  
**Subject:** Sacred Gin

**Dear Sirs**

**I hope that you are well.**

**I wish to withdraw the objection. However, please note that I do not want the licence extended to a public house or cut price off licence.**

Regards

Fergus

Barra Little <

Tue, Jul 20,  
1:10 PM

to me, Alun

*Ian I appreciate your thoughtful approach. This is CIZ which means that there is a presumption against new applications and your application didn't refer to that. I find that most applications fail to appreciate the impact on local residents. Spitalfields is not an easy place to live in when it's overrun by drinkers and ASB and signs asking people to leave quietly don't cut it. That said I appreciate the nature of your application is very different. I will speak to licensing.*

Barra

Kirsty Waterworth

Mon, Aug 23,  
3:17 PM (1 day ago)

to Alun, me

Hi Alun

Yes that does - thank you for clarifying. I will happily remove my objection.

Look forward to being neighbours!

Thanks  
Kirsty