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Dear Resident,

Ona`s Bento & Sushi, 486 Roman Road, London E3 5LU

We are the Licensing Consultants acting for Hikaru Ona Ltd operators of Ona`s Bento & Sushi and will be representing them at the Licensing Hearing on the 8th March. We are writing to you to explain our client`s business model and we hope address your concerns.

The new Sushi restaurant prepares high quality fresh dishes for customers to enjoy on the premises or for take away and is a small premises with seating for a maximum of 15 diners at any one time.

The normal opening hours of 09.00 to 21.00 daily and the requested hours for the sale of alcohol from 11.00 to 21.00 show respect by the operator for the fact that there are residential flats above and the wish of the operator not to cause disturbance to the residents above the restaurant. The hours are within traditional hours for restaurants. The premises does have a toilet for customer use.

The alcohol that will be sold is of Japanese origin and is to augment the overall dining experience at the restaurant. I understand that customers will be seated enjoying a meal and will not just be drinking nor will there be any vertical drinking. Only a television will be used for sound and there will be no loud music that could disturb residents. To assist in the dispersal of customers there are bus stops outside and opposite the restaurant and buses run frequently throughout the opening times including to Bethnal Green & Mile End Underground Stations.

Robust conditions have been proposed and others have been agreed with Responsible Authorities to promote the Licensing Objectives including a maximum of 5 smokers outside who will be monitored by staff and in practice the number will be less.

The operator has spent a considerable sum in fitting out the restaurant to a high standard and wants customers to experience and enjoy Japanese cuisine. We believe Ono`s Bento & Sushi will be a welcome addition to

Roman Road, will not add to any problems in the area and that the grant of the premises licence will enhance the experience.

If you would like to discuss the application further please do contact us.

Yours faithfully,

Graham Hopkins
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