

I am writing to you about our objection to the Application by Ottolenghi for a Variation of the Premises Licence on the premise at 11 Artillery Passage, London E1 7LJ.

I may have misled you as to the nature of my interest in this application.

To be clear:-

Finlagen Property Company Limited Own the Freehold of a building at 51, 52 and 53 Gun Street London E1 6AH. Number 52 Gun street contains SIX Freehold Residential Flats owned by Finlagen Property Company, who act as Private Landlords providing homes to five tenants on assured short hold tenancies. The 6th apartment is currently undergoing refurbishment, and we will shortly be looking to relet this property on an assured shorthold tenancy. Two of our tenants have been with us for more than 5 years and the remaining tenants have been with us for in excess of one year. As one of the few Private Landlords in the area we feel we are providing a valuable service to the area in providing reasonably priced accommodation to a variety of tenants who work locally.

Gun Street is a quiet street that is used as a cut through to the Spitalfields Market. Because of the quiet nature of the street and the poor street lighting, the street is the focus of quite a lot of antisocial activity. It is safe to say that quite often the outside of our building and the street in general looks like a well used toilet. The last thing we need to add to our woes is a late night licence in a nearby property which will provide more alcohol and more passersby who may be merry when they leave the Ottolenghi Restaurant and they may be tempted to relieve themselves in the quiet confines of gun street as they noisily make their way home. To be clear, the Ottolenghi Restaurant is close enough to our building that any music or noise will be clearly heard in our flats at 52 Gun Street and also patrons will more than likely make their way along gun street as they make their way to the late night buses on Bishopsgate..

The reason I am writing to you is that I understand I have been struck off your list because you have deemed that I am a "NON-INTERESTED" person? I can assure you that we have more interest than most locals as we need to protect our business as Private Landlords PROVIDING affordable accommodation to people in the area. Please note that we have been providing this service in Gun Street since 1991. In addition our office is based at 51 Gun Street, and we often have to wash down the step outside our building after we arrive for work in the morning.

Can you please confirm that I will be given the opportunity to address your meeting on Tuesday evening?

Regards

Robin Moore