

# Appendix 1



\* required information

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You can save the form at any time and resume it later. You do not need to be logged in when you resume.

System reference

Not Currently In Use

This is the unique reference for this application generated by the system.

Your reference

The Loove

You can put what you want here to help you track applications if you make lots of them. It is passed to the authority.

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes  No

Put "no" if you are applying on your own behalf or on behalf of a business you own or work for.

### Applicant Details

\* First name

Joseph

\* Family name

Debono

\* E-mail

[REDACTED]

Main telephone number

[REDACTED]

Include country code.

Other telephone number

[REDACTED]

Indicate here if the applicant would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Is the applicant:

Applying as a business or organisation, including as a sole trader  
 Applying as an individual

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure. Applying as an individual means the applicant is applying so the applicant can be employed, or for some other personal reason, such as following a hobby.

### Applicant Business

\* Is the applicant's business registered in the UK with Companies House?

Yes  No

\* Registration number

8203451

\* Business name

DRS Caterers Ltd

If the applicant's business is registered, use its registered name.

\* VAT number

- 58676670

Put "none" if the applicant is not registered for VAT.

\* Legal status

Private Limited Company

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\* Applicant's position in the business

Home country

The country where the applicant's headquarters are.

**Registered Address**

Address registered with Companies House.

\* Building number or name

\* Street

District

\* City or town

County or administrative area

\* Postcode

\* Country

**Agent Details**

\* First name

\* Family name

\* E-mail

Main telephone number

Include country code.

Other telephone number

Indicate here if you would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Are you:

- An agent that is a business or organisation, including a sole trader
- A private individual acting as an agent

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure.

**Agent Business**

\* Is your business registered in the UK with Companies House?  Yes  No

\* Registration number

\* Business name

If your business is registered, use its registered name.

\* VAT number

Put "none" if you are not registered for VAT.

\* Legal status

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\* Your position in the business

Home country

The country where the headquarters of your business is located.

**Agent Registered Address**

Address registered with Companies House.

\* Building number or name

\* Street

District

\* City or town

County or administrative area

\* Postcode

\* Country

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**PREMISES DETAILS**

I/we, as named in section 1, apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in section 2 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003.

**Premises Address**

Are you able to provide a postal address, OS map reference or description of the premises?

- Address     OS map reference     Description

**Postal Address Of Premises**

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

**Further Details**

Telephone number

Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)

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### APPLICATION DETAILS

In what capacity are you applying for the premises licence?

- An individual or individuals
- A limited company
- A partnership
- An unincorporated association
- A recognised club
- A charity
- The proprietor of an educational establishment
- A health service body
- A person who is registered under part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales
- A person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 in respect of the carrying on of a regulated activity (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England
- The chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales
- Other (for example a statutory corporation)

### Confirm The Following

- I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities
- I am making the application pursuant to a statutory function
- I am making the application pursuant to a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

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### NON INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS

Provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), give the name and address of each party concerned.

#### Non Individual Applicant's Name

Name

#### Details

Registered number (where applicable)

Description of applicant (for example partnership, company, unincorporated association etc)

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private limited company

**Address**

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

**Contact Details**

E-mail

Telephone number

Other telephone number

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**OPERATING SCHEDULE**

When do you want the premises licence to start?  /  /   
dd mm yyyy

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end  /  /   
dd mm yyyy

Provide a general description of the premises

For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off- supplies you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.

The 'Loove' occupies the street level and lower ground floor of former public conveniences in Commercial Street, London E1. The premises will operate at street level with three gazebos and seating areas providing premium quality street food. The lower ground floor will continue the food theme but be run as a wine bar/art gallery. The business will operate within the hours of 0800 and 2300hrs daily, with alcohol being sold from 1100hrs and the premises closing to the public at 2330hrs.

'Off sales' is sought to allow customers to purchase alcohol for consumption at home, to remove unfinished alcoholic products from the premises purchased with their meal or allow the flexibility of delivery services in association with food. Such off sales will not be allowed to leave the property in open vessels or containers.

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If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend

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**PROVISION OF PLAYS**

Will you be providing plays?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF FILMS**

Will you be providing films?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS**

Will you be providing indoor sporting events?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS**

Will you be providing boxing or wrestling entertainments?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC**

Will you be providing live music?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC**

Will you be providing recorded music?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE**

Will you be providing performances of dance?

- Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION TO LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES OF DANCE**

Will you be providing anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance?

- Yes  No

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**LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT**

Will you be providing late night refreshment?

Yes  No

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**SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL**

Will you be selling or supplying alcohol?

Yes  No

**Standard Days And Timings**

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

Give timings in 24 hour clock.  
(e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days  
of the week when you intend the premises  
to be used for the activity.

TUESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

WEDNESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

THURSDAY

Start

End

Start

End

FRIDAY

Start

End

Start

End

SATURDAY

Start

End

Start

End

SUNDAY

Start

End

Start

End



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Will the sale of alcohol be for consumption:

- On the premises       Off the premises       Both

If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises select on, if the sale of alcohol is for consumption away from the premises select off. If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises and away from the premises select both.

State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as premises supervisor

**Name**

First name

Family name

**Enter the contact's address**

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

Personal Licence number (if known)

Issuing licensing authority (if known)

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**PROPOSED DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR CONSENT**

How will the consent form of the proposed designated premises supervisor be supplied to the authority?

- Electronically, by the proposed designated premises supervisor
- As an attachment to this application

Reference number for consent form (if known)

If the consent form is already submitted, ask the proposed designated premises supervisor for its 'system reference' or 'your reference'.

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**ADULT ENTERTAINMENT**

Highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children

Give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups etc gambling machines etc.

NIL

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**HOURS PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**Standard Days And Timings**

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

Give timings in 24 hour clock. (e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.

TUESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

WEDNESDAY

Start

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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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End

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End

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SATURDAY

Start

End

Start

End

SUNDAY

Start

End

Start

End

State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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**LICENSING OBJECTIVES**

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e)

List here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.

The DPS, management and staff are mindful of the cumulative impact concerns of the area and will constantly assess any risks to the licensing objectives. They will work in partnership with authorities and local people alike in this respect. The staff will be properly authorised, trained and motivated in this task. There will be:

- A notice of 'authority' record for all staff who sell alcohol
- Adequate training for staff and records kept for inspection
- Contact details of the Designated Premises Supervisor available to staff and the authorities

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

The management and staff will take all necessary steps to ensure that the premises remain free from crime and disorder and neither creates nor contributes to crime and disorder. This will include:

- Staffing levels maintained at an appropriate level to ensure adequate security.
- Staff being trained on all security issues including how to identify and refuse service to customers that are drunk or appear to be drunk.
- Alcohol will not be allowed to leave the premises in open bottles or containers.
- A policy of zero-tolerance to drugs at the premises

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c) Public safety

The management and staff will have an effective policy to maintain a safe venue for customers and staff. Any risk to safety will be assessed before the premises are opened to the public each day and throughout the hours of operation. The DPS will liaise with the authorities to ensure that all aspects of public safety are adhered to. The policy will include:

- Ensuring that the entrance and any walkways within the premises are kept free from obstruction
- Appropriate fire fighting equipment being installed and maintained at the premises and staff trained in its use.
- Fire risk assessments being undertaken and acted upon in accordance with current recommendations and requirements.
- Effective lighting maintained and operated to ensure the safety of the public and staff

d) The prevention of public nuisance

The DPS and staff are mindful of the need to reduce the impact of any nuisance caused by the operation of the premises, will constantly assess the risk of public nuisance and take immediate steps to eliminate the problem. Staff will ensure:

- The premises and public areas nearby are kept free from litter associated with the operation of the business
- Any noise, vibrations, smells, light pollution and any other potential nuisance is monitored and kept to an acceptable level
- Notices will be displayed asking customers to be considerate of neighbours when they leave the premises
- Deliveries and waste removal are undertaken at a time that does not cause disturbance

e) The protection of children from harm

The premises will be promoted as family friendly and suitable for all ages. There will be no inappropriate promotions, activities or behaviour tolerated at the premises that might put children at risk. There will be an effective age verification policy in accordance with the mandatory code. This policy will be one of Challenge 21 for age-restricted products and include:

- The display of notices relating to the policy within the premises.
- These notices will indicate that any customer not appearing to have reached the age of 21 will be required to produce appropriate identification proving that they have turned 18 before being served.
- Appropriate ID will be a passport, photo driving licence, PASS accredited proof of age card or other reliable photo-ID that is recommended and approved for acceptance by the police or other authorities.
- Staff shall be trained in aspects of responsible alcohol retailing and in particular the Protection of Children including the Challenge 21 policy.
- Staff training will occur before a staff member is authorised to sell alcohol within the premises.
- Staff training records will be available for inspection by the police or other responsible authority upon request.

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### PAYMENT DETAILS

This fee must be paid to the authority. If you complete the application online, you must pay it by debit or credit card.

Premises Licence Fees are determined by the non-domestic rateable value of the premises.

To find out a premises non domestic rateable value go to the Valuation Office Agency site at [http://www.voa.gov.uk/business\\_rates/index.htm](http://www.voa.gov.uk/business_rates/index.htm)

Band A - No RV to £4300 £100.00

Band B - £4301 to £33000 £190.00

Band C - £33001 to £8700 £315.00

Band D - £87001 to £12500 £450.00\*

Band E - £125001 and over £635.00\*

\*If the premises rateable value is in Bands D or E and the premises is primarily used for the consumption of alcohol on the premises then you are required to pay a higher fee

Band D - £87001 to £12500 £900.00

Band E - £125001 and over £1,905.00

There is an exemption from the payment of fees in relation to the provision of regulated entertainment at church halls, chapel halls or premises of a similar nature, village halls, parish or community halls, or other premises of a similar nature. The costs associated with these licences will be met by central Government. If, however, the licence also authorises the use of

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the premises for the supply of alcohol or the provision of late night refreshment, a fee will be required. Schools and sixth form colleges are exempt from the fees associated with the authorisation of regulated entertainment only where the entertainment is provided by and at the school or college and for the purposes of the school or college.

If you operate a large event you are subject to ADDITIONAL fees based upon the number in attendance at any one time

Capacity 5000-9999 £1,000.00

Capacity 10000 -14999 £2,000.00

Capacity 15000-19999 £4,000.00

Capacity 20000-29999 £8,000.00

Capacity 30000-39000 £16,000.00

Capacity 40000-49999 £24,000.00

Capacity 50000-59999 £32,000.00

Capacity 60000-69999 £40,000.00

Capacity 70000-79999 £48,000.00

Capacity 80000-89999 £56,000.00

Capacity 90000 and over £64,000.00

\* Fee amount (£)

190.00

**DECLARATION**

\* I/we understand it is an offence, liable on conviction to a fine up to level 5 on the standard scale, under section 158 of the licensing act 2003, to make a false statement in or in connection with this application.

Ticking this box indicates you have read and understood the above declaration

This section should be completed by the applicant, unless you answered "Yes" to the question "Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?"

\* Full name

Michael Nickson

\* Capacity

Authorised Agent for Applicant

\* Date

27 / 09 / 2014  
dd mm yyyy

Add another signatory

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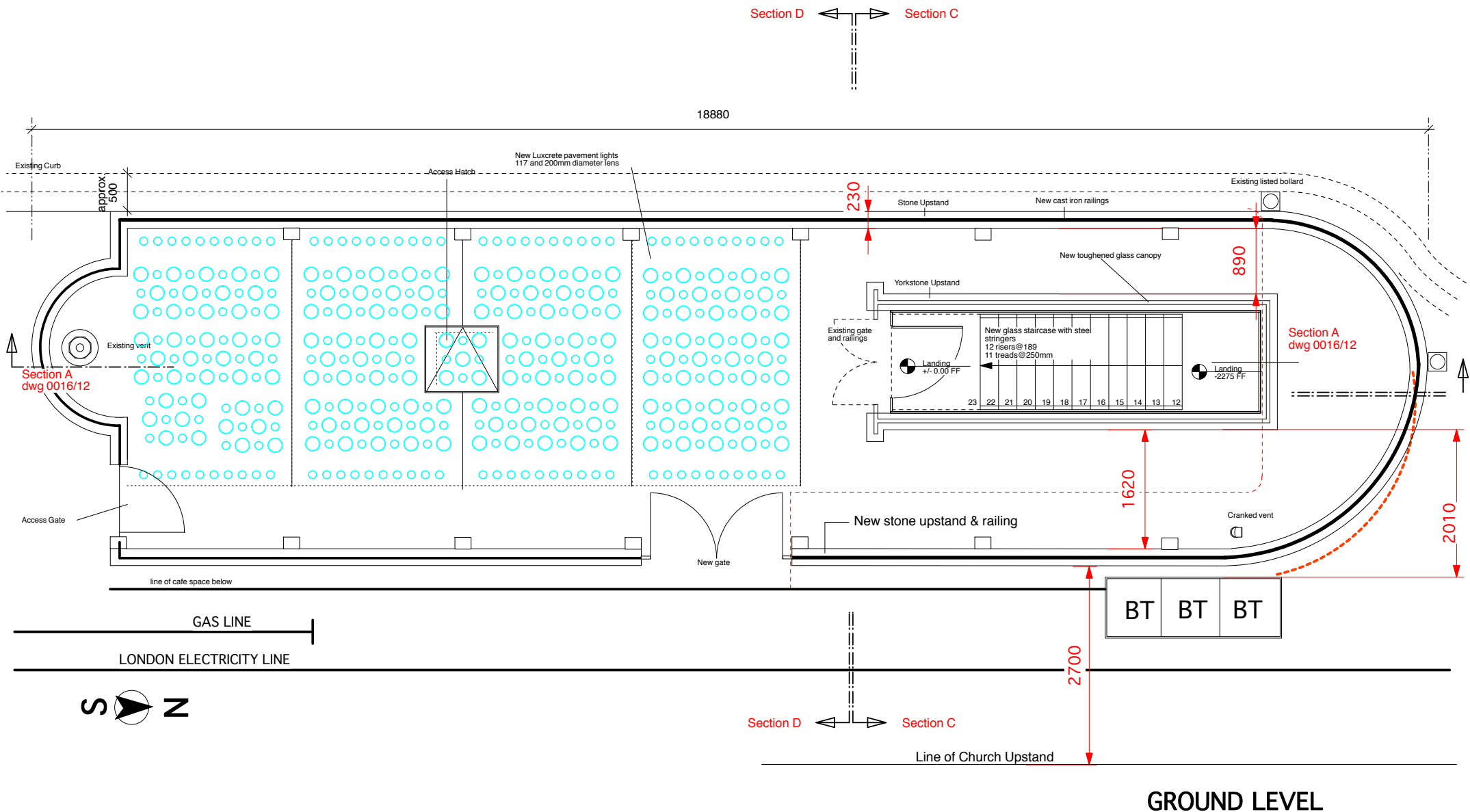
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2. Go back to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-licence/premises-licence/tower-hamlets/apply-1> to upload this file and continue with your application.

Don't forget to make sure you have all your supporting documentation to hand.

**IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION**

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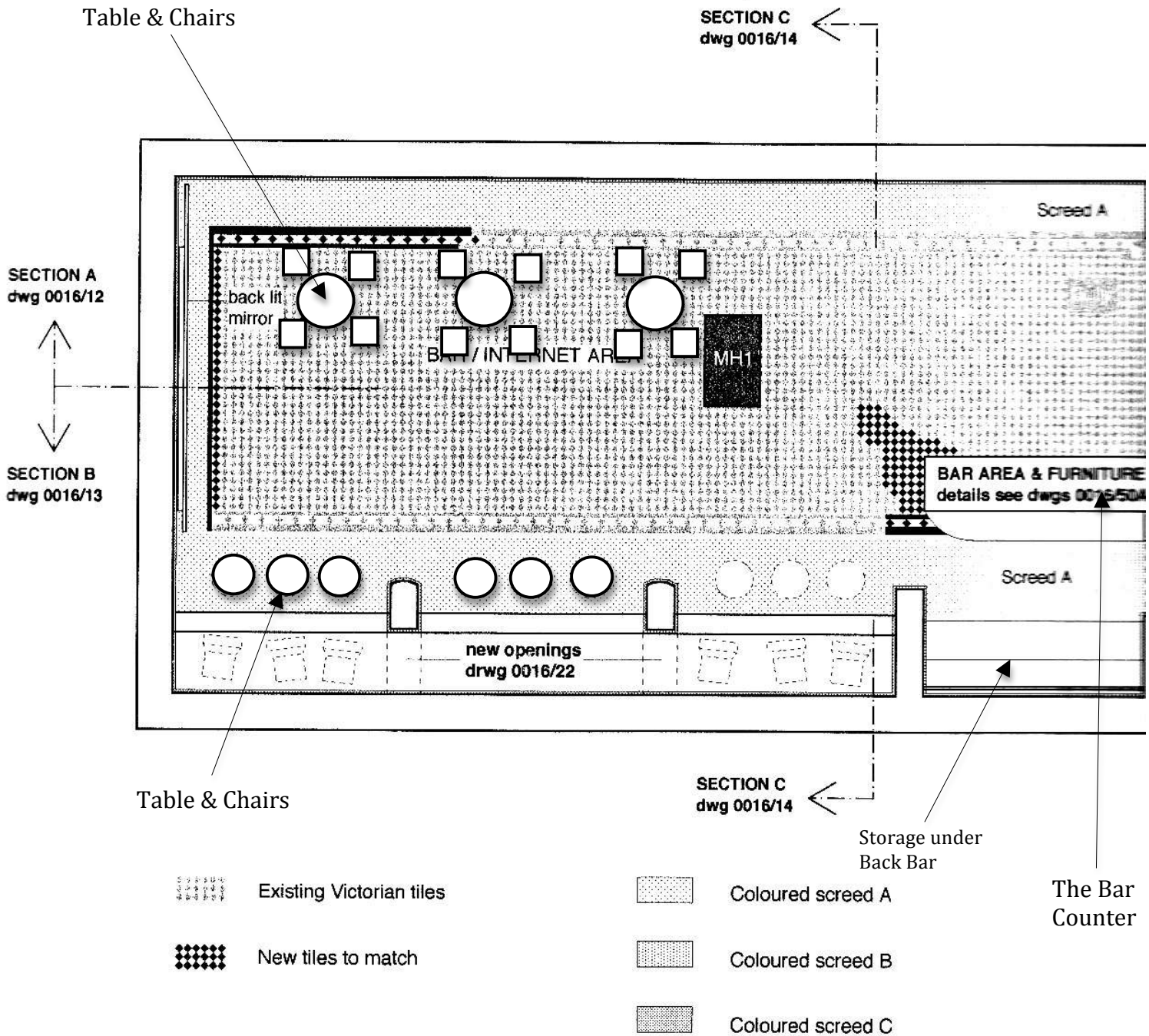
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**GROUND LEVEL**

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	CLIENT <b>RASHID QUADI</b>			DATE <b>27.07.10</b>	ISSUE
DRAWING TITLE <b>PROPOSED PLANS Ground Floor</b>			t: 0207-306-3342 e: info@rabotat.net	DRAWING NO. <b>0016/10E</b>	

# The Loove - Lower Level - 15.24m x 4.88m





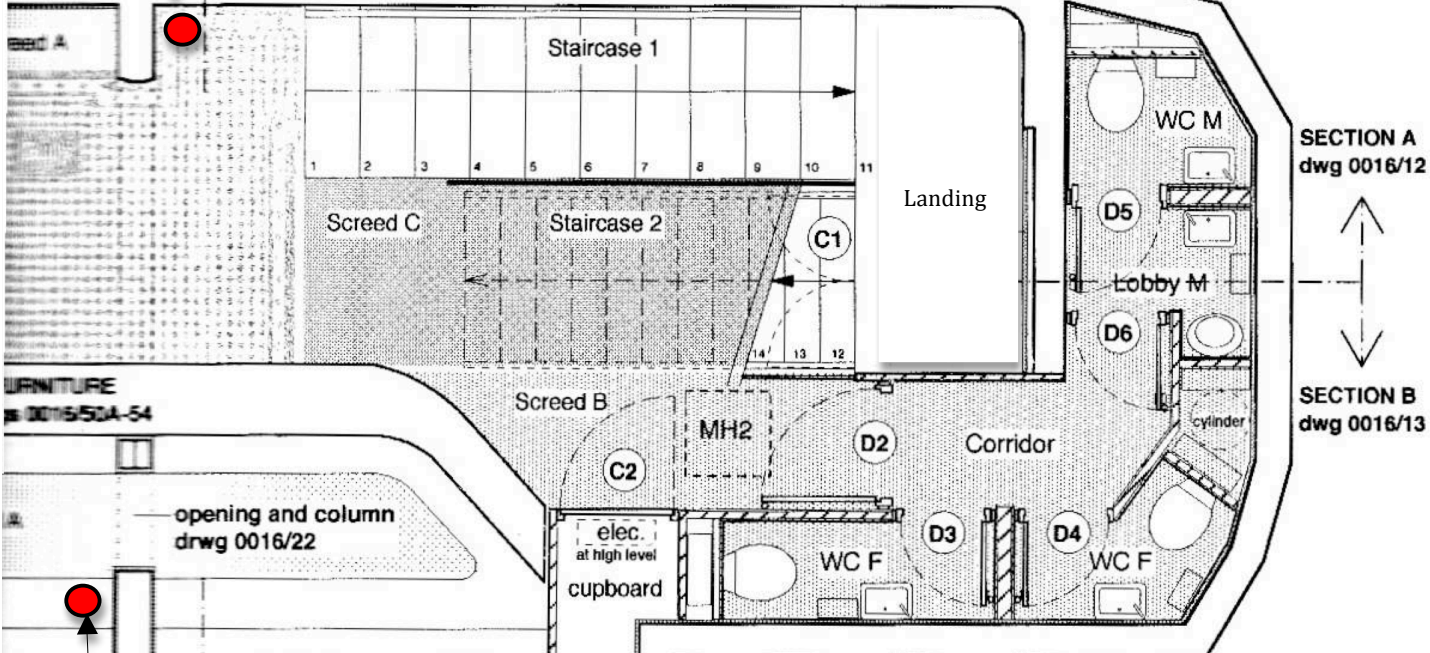
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Foam AFFF Fire Extinguisher

SECTION D  
dwg 0016/14

STAIRCASES + ENCLOSURE details  
see dwgs 0016/30-39

staircases + landing to be finished in Screed C throughout



SECTION A  
dwg 0016/12

SECTION B  
dwg 0016/13

FURNITURE  
0016/50A-54

opening and column  
dwg 0016/22

WC AREA  
see dwgs 0016/60-65

SECTION D  
dwg 0016/14

CO2 Fire Extinguisher

For WALL FINISHES - see dwgs 0016/12, 13, 14

PRELIMINARY

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drwn: MM  
date: 19.8.99

title: Strike: Digital Gallery  
**GA Bar Floor Plan**  
dwg no: 0016 / **11K**

# Appendix 1A

## The Loove

### Change of Hours:

Sale of Alcohol – Sunday will be **1200 to 2200hrs**

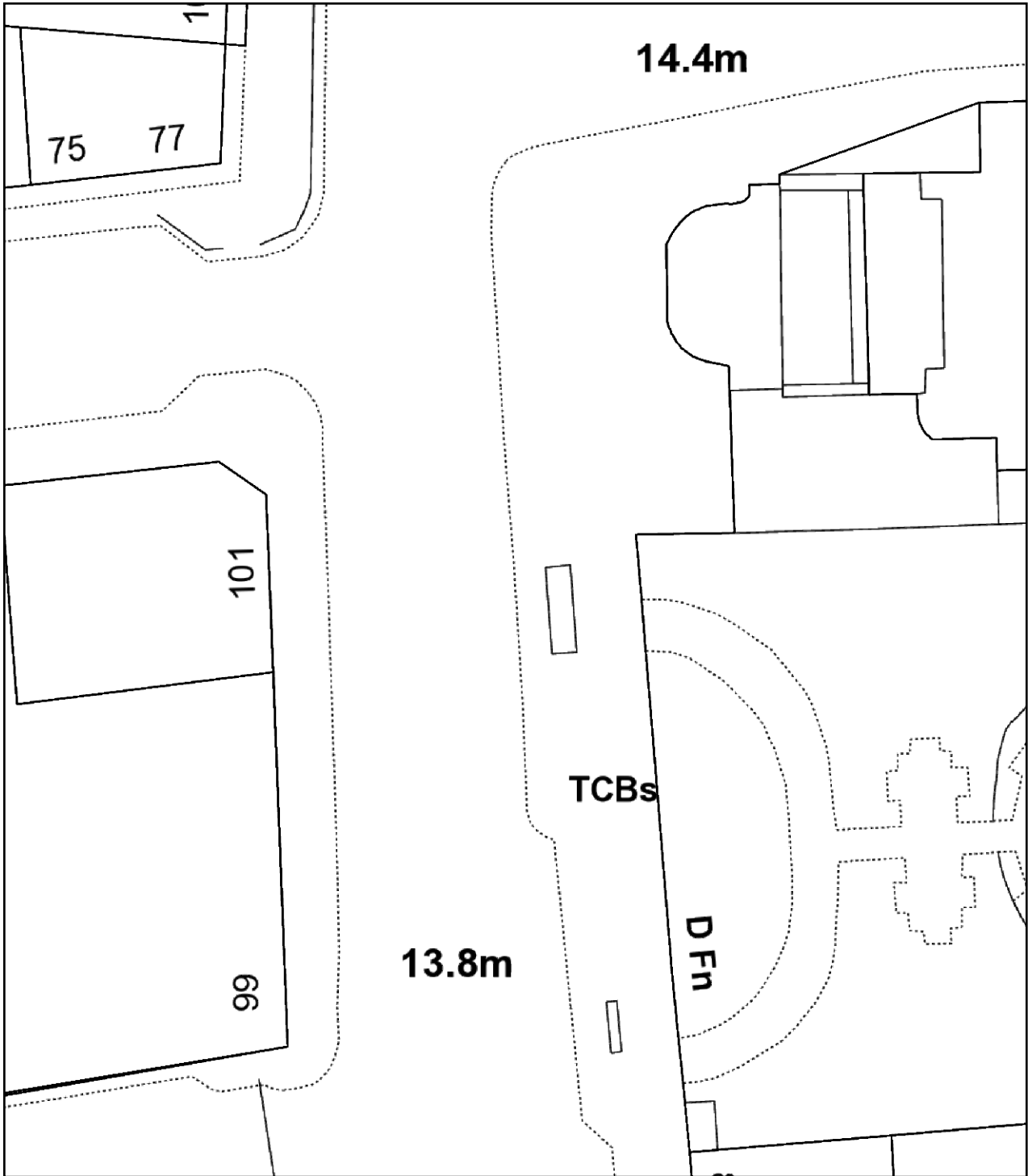
Opening Hours – Sunday, the premises will be open to the public **1200 - 2230hrs**

Monday to Saturday opening at **1100**, closing at **2330hrs**

### New conditions:

- 1 There will be no OFF sales of alcohol
- 2 CCTV: The CCTV system shall incorporate a recording facility and any recordings shall be retained and stored in a suitable and secure manner for a minimum of 31 days. A system shall be in place to maintain the quality of the recorded image and a complete audit trail maintained. The system will comply with other essential legislation, and all signs required will be clearly displayed. The system will be maintained and fully operational throughout the hours that the premises are open for any licensable activity. There must also be someone on the premises who can download the images and present them on request by a police officer or other responsible authority. Cameras will be placed at the street level eating area, on entry and to cover the basement area.
- 3 There will be no Karaoke
- 4 There will be No Promoted Events
- 5 There will be no DJ's
- 6 An incident log shall be kept at the premises and made available on request to an Authorised Officer of the Local Authority or the police, which will record the following:
  - All crimes reported to the venue
  - All ejections of patrons from the premises
  - Any complaints received from any local residents, Residents' Associations or any member of the public and a record of the actions taken
  - Any faults in the CCTV system
  - Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
  - Any visit by a responsible authority
- 7 The Premises Licence Holder and/or Designated Premises Supervisor will meet with representatives of local residents promptly to discuss any concerns in relation to the operation of the business
- 8 Substantial food will always be available whenever the premises are open to the public
- 9 The premises will adopt a drugs policy agreed with Tower Hamlets Police Licensing Unit

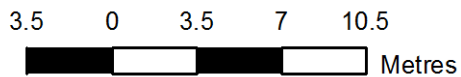
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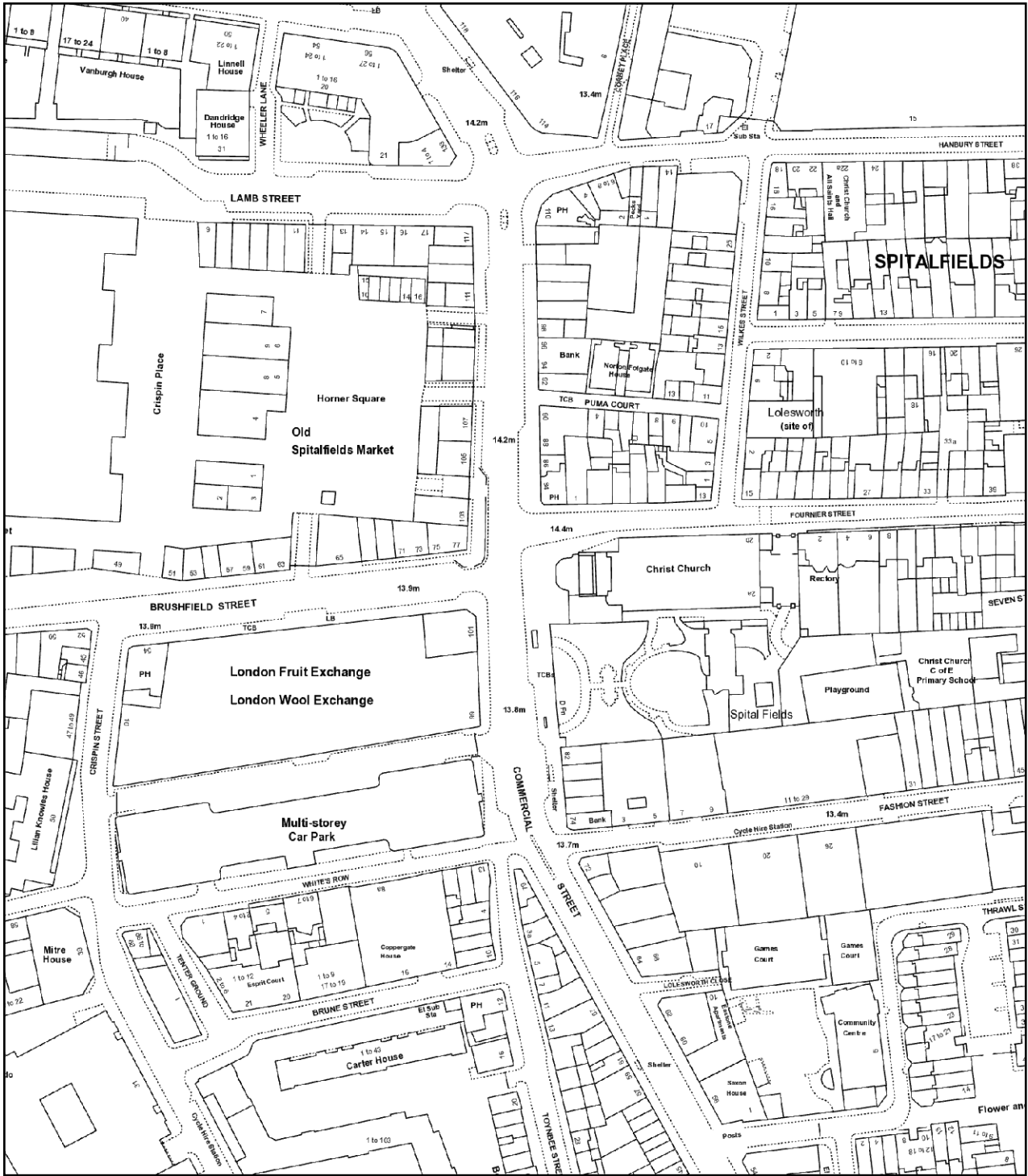


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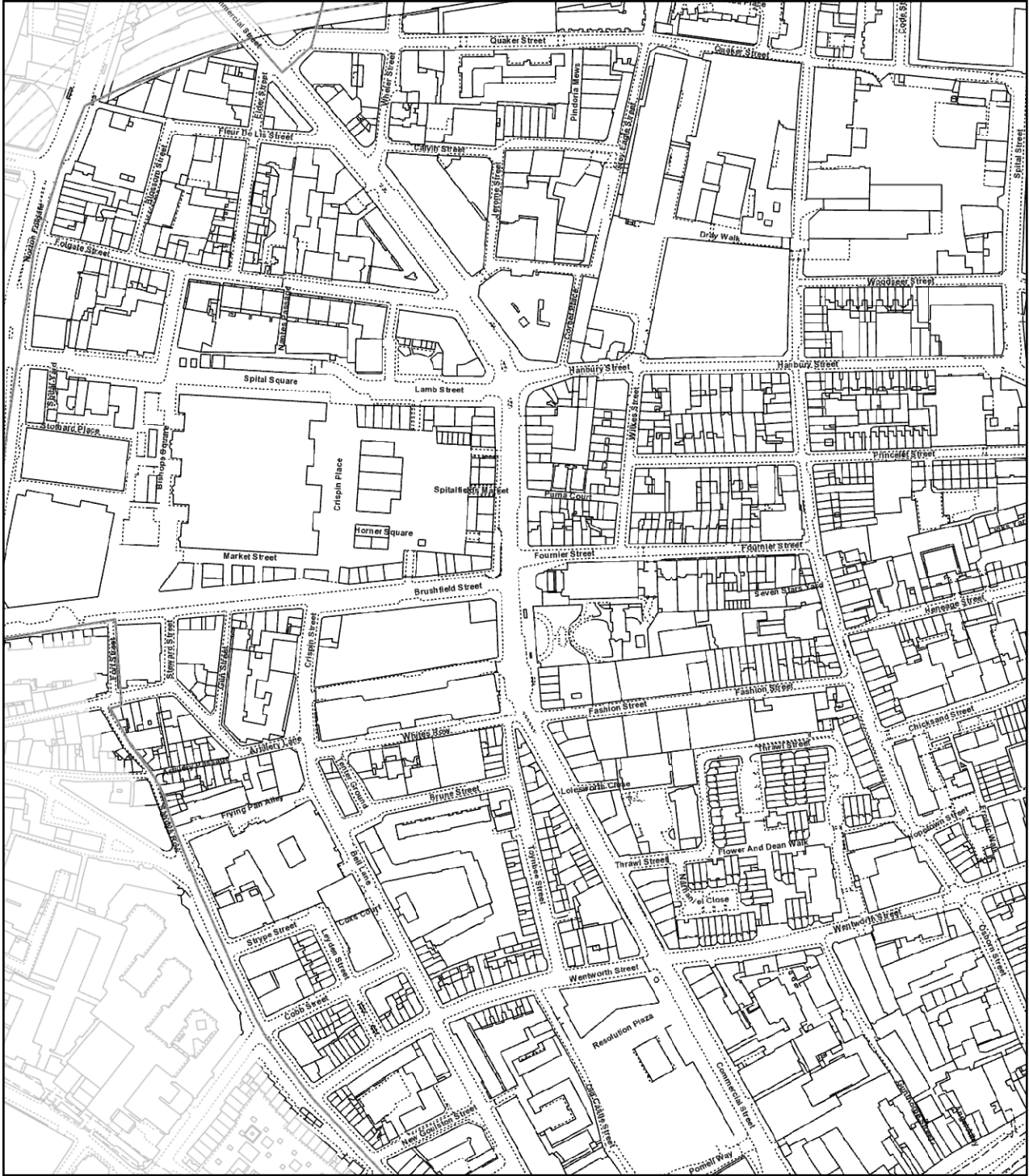
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Metres



**TOWER HAMLETS**

# Appendix 3



## **Section 182 Advice by the Home Office Updated October 2014**

### **Relevant, vexatious and frivolous representations**

- 9.4 A representation is “relevant” if it relates to the likely effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of at least one of the licensing objectives. For example, a representation from a local businessperson about the commercial damage caused by competition from new licensed premises would not be relevant. On the other hand, a representation by a businessperson that nuisance caused by new premises would deter customers from entering the local area, and the steps proposed by the applicant to prevent that nuisance were inadequate, would be relevant. In other words, representations should relate to the impact of licensable activities carried on from premises on the objectives. For representations in relation to variations to be relevant, they should be confined to the subject matter of the variation. There is no requirement for a responsible authority or other person to produce a recorded history of problems at premises to support their representations, and in fact this would not be possible for new premises.
- 9.5 It is for the licensing authority to determine whether a representation (other than a representation from responsible authority) is frivolous or vexatious on the basis of what might ordinarily be considered to be vexatious or frivolous. A representation may be considered to be vexatious if it appears to be intended to cause aggravation or annoyance, whether to a competitor or other person, without reasonable cause or justification. Vexatious circumstances may arise because of disputes between rival businesses and local knowledge will therefore be invaluable in considering such matters. Licensing authorities can consider the main effect of the representation, and whether any inconvenience or expense caused by it could reasonably be considered to be proportionate.
- 9.6 Frivolous representations would be essentially categorised by a lack of seriousness. Frivolous representations would concern issues which, at most, are minor and in relation to which no remedial steps would be warranted or proportionate.
- 9.7 Any person who is aggrieved by a rejection of their representations on either of these grounds may lodge a complaint through the local authority’s corporate complaints procedure. A person may also challenge the authority’s decision by way of judicial review.

- 9.8 Licensing authorities should not take decisions about whether representations are frivolous, vexatious or relevant to the licensing objectives on the basis of any political judgement. This may be difficult for councillors who receive complaints from residents within their own wards. If consideration is not to be delegated, contrary to the recommendation in this Guidance, an assessment should be prepared by officials for consideration by the sub- committee before any decision is taken that necessitates a hearing. Any councillor who considers that their own interests are such that they are unable to consider the matter independently should disqualify themselves.
- 9.9 It is recommended that, in borderline cases, the benefit of the doubt about any aspect of a representation should be given to the person making that representation. The subsequent hearing would then provide an opportunity for the person or body making the representation to amplify and clarify it.
- 9.10 Licensing authorities should consider providing advice on their websites about how any person can make representations to them.

# Appendix 4

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Sent:** 18 December 2014 09:34  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial St  
**Attachments:** 82a Commercial St representation ( Nov 14 ).doc

Dear Mohshin

Please find my representation re: the above application

Regards

Alan Cruickshank PC 189HT

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LBTH Licensing

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Vawdrey Close  
E1 4AU

HT - Tower Hamlets Borough

Licensing Office  
Limehouse Police Station  
27 West India Dock Road &  
5 Birchfield Street  
E14 8EZ

Telephone: 0207 275 4911

Facsimile:

Email:

Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police  
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www.met.police.uk

Your ref:

Our ref:

3 November 2014

Dear Mr McCrohan

Re: Application for a premises licence82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY

I write with reference regarding the above application. Please accept this letter as notification that the police as a responsible authority wish to object to this application on the following two licensing objectives.

*The prevention of crime and disorder*

*The prevention of public nuisance*

I understand that every new application has to be viewed individually but the venue is still leased by the same man who was arrested at the time after a warrant was executed at the venue on the 18th December 2011

It is very unfortunate for the new applicant, as every new application will be viewed with scepticism by local residents who lives were blighted by the previous licence.

As you will hear tonight, their living conditions have been greatly improved by the closure of this venue.

The applicant has applied for the following hours in relation to alcohol:

Monday - Sunday: 1100 -2300

LBTH has adopted a Saturation Policy / Cumulative Impact Policy for the Brick Lane Area. This policy was adopted due to the concerns about the number of licensed premises in such a small area and the resulting number of ASB calls and the potential for disorder.

With regards to this policy, the licensing authority will normally refuse any new applications or any variation of these in the cumulative impact zone; *unless the applicant can demonstrate there will be no negative cumulative impact on one or more of the licensing objectives.*

Commercial St falls within the Cumulative Impact Zone (CIZ) and also the Shoreditch Triangle, featuring the busiest parts of Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Islington. There has been a steady increase in bars, restaurants and fast food premises.

This area suffers from a high amount of anti-social behaviour, to the extent that police statistics show that between 22:00 hours on Friday and 02:00 hours on Monday the London Borough of Tower Hamlets is second only to Westminster (West End/Soho/Covent Garden) for Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) calls to Police in London.

The premises also falls within the 'Shoreditch Triangle', which comprises of the tri-borough wards of Haggerston ward (Hackney), Weavers and Spitalfields & Banglatown wards

(Tower Hamlets) and Bunhill Ward (Islington) are four wards which are high crime generators for their respective boroughs especially around Theft Person and the Night Time Economy. Tower Hamlets wards contribute 38% of all Theft Person Offences.

Peak times are between Friday 20:00 hours to Saturday 04:00 hours and Saturday 20:00 hours to Sunday 04:00 hours and these 16 hours are responsible for 21% of all the offences.

25% of all crime in Spitalfields and Banglatown ward is committed between 20:00 hours to 02:00 hours Friday to Sunday. 20% of all crime in Weavers ward is committed between 20:00 hours to 02:00 hours Friday to Sunday.

*The hours applied for falls into the above peak hours.*

Can the applicant provide evidence that the operation of the premises will not add to the negative cumulative impact already being experienced in this area?

The plan I believe is only to have the ground floor outside area as a food court. Littering had been a problem in the past and I can foresee this occurring again. This venue is only yards away from a church and a small garden area.

The use of the outside area has great potential for ASB. Is there sufficient control to prevent alcohol being consumed here and with people under the influence of alcohol they may well be disorderly or simply too loud for their surroundings. People may be contained in the area but it does not stop noise travelling.

The applicant has applied for alcohol hours of 1100 - 2300. These are traditional pub hours and I would be concerned that this would slowly become a pub.

I am also concerned that the applicant has asked for both on and off sales. My concern would be that people would take their alcohol into the nearby park and potentially commit ASB.

With the same owner still having some sort of control over the venue, I ask the committee to refuse this application.

However, if they are to consider granting a licence, I would ask them to consider the following:

1. As the “premises will be promoted as a family friendly and suitable for all ages”: alcohol hours to be restricted from 1130 - 2000, all week.

2. No off sales

### Conditions

3. CCTV

The CCTV system shall incorporate a recording facility and any recordings shall be retained and stored in a suitable and secure manner for a minimum of 31 days. A system shall be in place to maintain the quality of the recorded image and a complete audit trail maintained. The system will comply with other essential legislation, and all signs as required will be clearly displayed. The system will be maintained and fully operational throughout the hours that the premises are open for any licensable activity.

There must also be someone on the premises, who can download the images and present them on request by a police officer or other responsible authority,

(Can cameras be placed on street level eating area, on entry and to cover basement area.)



4. No karaoke
5. No promoted events
6. No DJs
7. An incident / refusal books
- 8 A drugs policy agreed with Tower Hamlets Police Licensing Unit
9. No alcohol to be consumed on street level

Alan Cruickshank PC 189HT

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 16:46  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: 82a Commercial St : The Loove

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**From:** [Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk) [<mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk>]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 13:10  
**To:** Licensing; Simmi Yesmin  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial St : The Loove

Dear all

Further to my representation, with regards to the licensing objective of public safety I ask the committee to consider the following condition.

Capacity of the basement area to be 60 persons including staff.

The venue has only one means of escape.

This reflects the previous licence and LFB regulations.

Regards

Alan Cruickshank PC 189HT

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### WITNESS STATEMENT

CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of **PCSO David Crow 7137HT** ..... URN: 

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Age if under 18    Over 18 .....    (if over 18 insert 'over 18')    Occupation:    **C085555**.....

This statement (consisting of: .... **1**..... pages each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: .....    Date:    **05/01/2015**.....

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded     (*supply witness details on rear*)

I am a POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER working in the safer neighbourhoods department at. **TOBY CLUB 2 VAWDREY CLOSE E1**. I have been working in various Safer Neighbourhood Teams in Tower Hamlet for 12 years. My role is to interact with the local community to restore confidence and to be the eyes and ears of the Metropolitan Police.

**This statement relates to PUBLIC LIFE, COMMERCIAL STREET E1.**

I was one of the officers who executed a s.23 MISUSE OF DRUGS search warrant on the aforementioned premises in DECEMBER 2011, due to complaints received from local residents regarding the high levels of drug dealing taking place and anti-social behavior in the vicinity. My team at the time was BETHNAL GREEN SOUTH SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM, they were asked to assist with the execution of this warrant. Since the warrant was executed, we have received no further calls regarding anti-social behavior or drug dealing from this venue. Since then the venue has not been used as a licensed premises. From my local knowledge, in recent months it has been opened as a vintage clothes shop, which operated during usual business hours, including the weekend.

Signature: .....    Signature witnessed by: .....

# Appendix 5

Name	Address1	Address2	Address3	Appendix
Rev Andy Rider	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	6
Spitalfields Community Group (inc pet)	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	7
Barra Little	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	8
Matthew Piper	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	9
John and Sandy Critchley	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	10
Paul D Johnston	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	11
Glenn Leeder	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	12
Alex Gordon Shute	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	13
David Coulling	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	14
David Gadd & Frank Pickard	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	15
Eric Rowe	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	16
Jon Shapiro	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	17
Kate Harrington	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	18
Conor McLernon, Spitalfields Society	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	19
Dr Maria Lenn	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	20
Nicholas Shiren	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	21
Edson Williams	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	22
Ben Adler & Pat Llewellyn	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	23
Marenka Gabeler	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	24
Pat Jones	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	25
Stephen Gummer & Karen Seward	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	26
Charlie de Wet	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	27
Glen Mifsud	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	28
John Nicolson	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	29
Peter Boisseau	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	30
Nora Heard	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	31
Ann Hartnett	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	32
Nick Shiren	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	33
The Spitalfields Historic Building Trust	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	34
M.Gordon, St George Resident Assoc	[REDACTED]	London	[REDACTED]	35
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# Appendix 6

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Fay Cattini [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 18 December 2014 15:50  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** email from Rev Andy Rider, Rector an PCC of Christ Church Spitalfields

licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (The Looove)

Dear Mohshin Ali

As Rector of Christ Church Spitalfields and on behalf of the Parochial Church Council, I continue to be concerned at the way this property is being managed and used. In the last 6 months there appears to have been a flagrant disregard for keeping the street tidy and presentable. Banners have been hung all over the church railings and street furniture. Signs have been placed on the pavement way outside their curtilage and the arrival of sheds selling foods suggests that the freeholder and those who manage the site on a day to day basis are acting in a seriously irresponsible manner and this should be considered fully before any change in planning or licensing conditions are agreed with them.

Yours truly

Andy Rider, Rector and  
PCC of Christ Church Spitalfields



# Appendix 7

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Spitalfields Community Group [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 18 December 2014 22:25  
**To:** Licensing; Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1 6LY

Dear Sir/Madam,

Spitalfields Community Group (SCG) OBJECTS to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Spitalfields Community Group (SCG) was founded in 2011 with the aim of representing those who live and work in Spitalfields, enhancing their quality of living, and improving their sense of community. To that end, we have sought to represent the consensus view as demonstrated in our latest survey of members' priorities, which highlights continued concern about the detrimental effect of the night time economy in the area on our domestic and working lives.

SCG actively supported the adoption and implementation of the Cumulative Impact Zone by LBTH, which recognizes the negative impact on residential amenity of the dense concentration of licensed premises in our community. The premises at 82a Commercial Street is within the Zone, and for this reason alone should be refused.

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises. The application proposes using the underground space as a bar. It is difficult to ensure the licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street, as was definitively proved.

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning fire risk is inevitable and danger from overcrowding a constant likelihood. It has no soundproofing so will cause noise breakout from below ground and direct noise from above ground, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants are not including live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status. This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

The premises has a long standing association with drug selling and using. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons hoping for a return to its former incarnation. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

We have recently met with the applicant and raised these concerns with him. Unfortunately his responses did nothing at all to allay these fears and we therefore wish to OBJECT to the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

From and on behalf of Spitalfields Community Group

c/o Selina Mifsud  
[REDACTED]

## **Mohshin Ali**

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**From:** Spitalfields Community Group [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 21:34  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Licensing  
**Subject:** licence application at 82a Commercial Street, E1

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014 we emailed you with an objection to the licence application at 82a Commercial Street. We would like to add the following points which expand upon and clarify our concerns.

### **The Site and Its Suitability.**

1. The location of the premises is fundamentally unsuited to operation as a licensed business, adjacent to a public park and Christ Church School nursery, on a major arterial road, and in front of Christ Church itself.
2. The applicants' proposals fail to demonstrate how they will NOT add to cumulative impact within the Brick Lane CIZ.
3. The 5 previous applications, from established and successful licensed operators (some with more relevant experience than the present applicants), were all withdrawn following community consultation.
4. The various conditions proposed by these applicants - and not agreed with the local community - are in fact less restrictive than those imposed by LBTH on Public Life. Those conditions failed to control the anti-social behaviour associated with the premises then, and they would clearly fail to do so again.

### **The Loove Proposals for the Site.**

1. The proposed licensed business is presented as being beneficial to the community, as "a living, breathing asset". However, this is clearly not the case; the application does not meet the needs of the community and is indeed unwelcome, as evidenced by the volume of objection to it from surrounding residents and organisations.
2. The current retail use provides economic activity and employment within the community, without creating any nuisance or ASB associated with licensed premises. It could probably be described as a living, breathing asset. It certainly appears to be a more suitable use for this space than as licensed premises. There has been a minor issue of intrusive signage which has been successfully addressed; otherwise the current business has given no cause for complaint locally.
3. The applicants and their agent provide confusing statements regarding current ownership and past management of the premises. As per the existing lease agreement, the premises appear still to be in the hands of the owner who was arrested in December 2011 during the course of the successful drugs raid by police. This individual would (or should) have known that drugs were for sale on his property. The applicants have entered into a commercial relationship with this individual. It appears far from clear what the connection is, despite this being a matter of obvious concern given the past history.

4. The police are opposed to the relicensing of the premises under the existing ownership.

### **The Credibility of the Proposed Operation**

1. The applicants appear to have no experience of running licensed premises, or of providing an exhibition space for “local and international art”, as they propose. Their background comprises running food kiosks at sporting venues. They have demonstrated a limited understanding of the lengthy and serious history of problems surrounding the site and the specific difficulties of operating a business there.
2. There is no mention in the application of the requirement to limit the total number of patrons allowed in the premises in accordance with fire regulations. This is notoriously difficult to enforce due to the underground situation of the premises. There is no provision for door staff to keep a tally of numbers entering and leaving. This will inevitably lead to an increased fire risk, given the confined basement space with only one door for entry/exit.
3. Concerns regarding noise levels emanating from the premises have not been adequately addressed. The history of the premises is one of very serious noise breakout (amongst other issues). There is no provision for soundproofing. The applicants mention engaging the “services of an independent noise expert”. Until that ‘expert’ is engaged, and has reported on the sound implications and the works intended to be carried out (which should then be made a condition of any grant of a licence) then it is premature to be considering the grant of a licence
4. No provision has been made in the application for supervisory door staff to prevent patrons from leaving the premises eating food or drinking alcohol purchased there, or from making a noise and causing a disturbance as they leave. There is no means of ensuring these undesirable types of behaviour are avoided without specialist staffing. This is a further specific problem from previous operation of these premises under a licence that appears to have been ignored in this application.
5. The CCTV measures proposed in the current application go no further than those which were in place when the premises operated as Public Life. They provided no safeguard to the community in upholding the licensing objectives then, and there is no reason to think they will do so now.

### **Summary of opposition**

1. The policy position is clear: no premises licence should be granted here unless exceptional circumstances can be shown. No such circumstances exist: what is proposed would self-evidently add to the problems of cumulative impact felt in this part of the Borough.
2. The lengthy, serious and extremely distressing history of these premises when benefitting from a premises licence – resulting in revocation and numerous arrests for illegal activity - means that the community is extremely wary of any suggestion that it be licensed once again. In short we are of the view that the nature of the premises is such that it is intrinsically impossible to promote the licensing objectives while offering licensable activities from them.
3. Any proposed re-licensing of the premises should be accompanied by the most robust evidence that the proposals would not add to cumulative impact or otherwise undermine the licensing objectives. That evidence is absent here.
4. The current use is positive, beneficial and causes no harm.

5. We ask that the application be refused, in line with the Borough's policy.

I would be grateful if you would confirm receipt of this additional representation.

From and on behalf of Spitalfields Community Group

c/o Selina Mifsud



# Appendix 8

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Little, Barra [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 December 2014 10:02  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alex Lisowski; Licensing  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** OBJECTION to licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (The Loove)

Dear All,

I understand you are in receipt of a new licence application for alcohol and takeaway food for the former toilets outside Christ Church Spitalfields.

I own a flat on Folgate Street and I now live on Elder Street nearby. I object strenuously to this application. It is really inconceivable that a bar should open on the steps of one of London's most important churches, in a neighbourhood which is already saturated with bars and restaurants serving alcohol. It is also not appropriate for it to spill out onto the street with a stall serving food, where people will inevitably congregate with alcohol, practically on the Church steps. Experience of the Ten Bells, where drinkers constantly spill out onto Fournier street despite the owners' efforts to restrict where they stand, makes it clear that another venue in that area will result in uncontrolled and uncontrollable public drinking and disorderly conduct, and noise.

The space and its owner's activities have been a serious source of nuisance and danger in the neighbourhood for some time, with a drug raid which included and the arrest of the owner.

When it was previously operated the venue generated constant and unacceptable noise. I am aware that residents of Fournier street have had to move their living arrangements because of intolerable levels of street noise. A closing time of 11:30, with the inevitable spillover of people at closing time, means that this venue will become a public nuisance and there will be no peace outside the Church at any time during waking hours, and there will be a risk of increased disorder.

In addition it is simply not a safe venue for a large crowd and alcohol, given there is only one exit. The new conditions listed by the applicants make no reference to the safety issues.

I also object on the grounds of saturation, as the site is within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. Spitalfields is being ruined as a family neighbourhood and a tourist attraction because of the amount of noise and disorderly activity.

The representations made by the new operators that they have nothing to do with the owners is not tenable. The point is that this venue is not safe or appropriate for use as a bar, and the application must be rejected.

Barra Little

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# Appendix 9



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 19 December 2014 10:30  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: licence application at 82a Commercial St

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

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**From:** Matt Piper [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 18 December 2014 22:40  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** licence application at 82a Commercial St

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to object to the licence application at 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY.

Spitalfields suffers from an over-concentration of licensed premises. Alcohol-fuelled antisocial behaviour has a severe impact on the quality of my life and those of my wife and children. Drunken shouting, screaming, banging on doors and acts of vandalism are a nightly occurrence and disturb our sleep. We regularly wake to find that patrons of the bars and clubs in the area have vomited, urinated and even defecated on our doorstep or on the pavement outside our house. LBTH have made a very positive step in introducing a Cumulative Impact Zone but this application runs contrary to the aims of that zone. A further licensed premises can only exacerbate the problems we face. The applicant has done nothing to demonstrate how he will avoid a cumulative impact resulting from his premises.

In addition, the premises in question has a well-documented history of drug dealing and troublesome patrons. It was only after Public Life was closed down in 2011 that it became evident that the premises was responsible for a significant amount of the area's problems regarding drugs. We have a frequent and persistent problem with drugs being dealt on Fournier Street, at all times of the day and night. The history of 82a Commercial Street is such that it is inevitable that the premises will once again become a magnet for such criminal behaviour.

The premises is wholly unsuitable for use as a bar. Not only does the single entrance/exit represent a significant fire risk, but also the sound-proofing is non-existent. The applicant has explained to local residents that there will be live music performances in the premises. Unless the applicant is prepared to cover up the glass in the pavement above, no sound-proofing will be sufficient to prevent the noise travelling to neighbouring properties. Although we do not have direct sight of the premises from our property we could hear the noise it generated when it was open.

Seating in the proposed outdoor 'street food' area is also inadequate. The applicant plans to serve food from gazebos that will cover much of the possible seating area. It is inevitable that the food will be consumed on the pavements and doorsteps around the premises (one only has to look at Hanbury St on a Sunday afternoon to appreciate this). I regularly have to move on people who are sitting on our doorstep. A further premises selling takeaway food will only make this problem worse.

Spitalfields is an area of mixed use. For too long the commercial needs of businesses have dominated the rights of local residents to a quiet family life. I urge you to take a step towards correcting this imbalance by rejecting this application.

Many thanks for your help in this matter.

Matt

Matthew Piper

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# Appendix 10

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Alex Lisowski  
**Sent:** 19 December 2014 13:53  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY - new licensing application (Public Life)

Mohshin,  
Another objection for The Loove.  
Alex.

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**From:** Critchley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 December 2014 13:51  
**To:** 'Critchley'; Alex Lisowski; Licensing  
**Cc:** [Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.police.uk](mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.police.uk)  
**Subject:** 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY - new licensing application (Public Life)

Dear Licensing Committee,

Following the hearing on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December we are resubmitting our strong opposition to the licence application for provision of alcohol and takeaway food which has been submitted to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for the premises known as Public Life at 82A Commercial Street.

Despite a local “charm offensive” by the applicants (who have sent e-mails to all objectors and also put letters through local letterboxes) saying that their objectives are totally unobjectionable, we believe that the premises remain essentially in the hands of the previous owner and manager and that the grounds for objection expressed below remain valid. Also, the applicants must have incurred considerable expense already, especially since the need to hold a new hearing caused by their solicitor’s objection to the extension of the consultation period, and will need to recoup this with significant profits. We believe that their stated plans are unlikely to achieve this and that, were a licence to be granted, the premises would soon revert to their former objectionable state.

As “Public Life”, the underground nightclub was a major source of anti-social behaviour and nuisance in our community. The premises eventually had their licence revoked in January 2012 following numerous complaints from local residents and groups, and a police raid in the course of which 11 people were arrested for drugs-related and other offences.

It is our view that revocation of the licence and closure of the premises created a safer, less intimidating, more pleasant neighbourhood.

Our grounds for opposing the application are:

the anti-social behaviour in the area associated with alcohol sales and late night drinking has repeatedly been recorded and you will be well-aware of it - noise, vomiting and urination on or around households’ front doorsteps. These premises abut a residential area and children will be affected;

the premises have a longstanding association with drug-taking and selling; drugs are a problem that continues to blight the local community;

we believe that the previous owner and manager have shown themselves to be unfit to hold an alcohol licence;

and the premises are within the Borough's Cumulative Impact Zone for alcohol saturation. This saturation policy recognises the negative impact of such premises on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. The zone's saturation policy should be respected.

For all those reasons we urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

John and Sandy Critchley

[Redacted signature block]

# Appendix 11

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 22 December 2014 10:15  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Re. Licensing Application. 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

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**From:** Paul D Johnston [<mailto:johnstonarchitecture@me.com>]  
**Sent:** 20 December 2014 07:44  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Re. Licensing Application. 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re. Licensing Application. 82A Commercial Street E1 6LY**

I write to object to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY. There is continued concern by the community that the detrimental effect of the night time economy in the area on our domestic and working lives.

This is a clear indication that the implementation of the Cumulative Impact Zone by LBTH, This Policy, that seeks to recognise the negative impact on the residential community amenity by the density and concentration of licensed premises in our community. 82a Commercial Street is within the Cumulative Impact Zone. For this reason I urge TH Licensing to refuse this application. The previous tenants of the premises have vividly demonstrated the complete unsuitability as a licensed premises. A basement bar, hidden from public scrutiny and police monitoring encourages illegal activity, making the licensing objectives impossible to maintain. This has been definitively proven on numerous occasions in the past.

With one point of entry and exit, the fire risk is evident. The danger from overcrowding is a constant public liability issue and concern. Noise breakout, below and above ground is obvious, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering after 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

The area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. The premises are located on the pavement, in front of Christ Church, an entirely inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food and alcohol. Christ Church i

s an English Heritage, Grade 1 listed historical. One of the most valuable historic assets in the borough, and across the Capital.

These premises have a long standing association with drug selling, distribution and open usage on the streets of Spitalfields. This established drug destination venue will inevitably, once more, attract users. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community. Finally I wish to OBJECT to the licensing application for the above mentioned premises.

Regards

Paul  
**JOHNSTON** architecture & design ltd.

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# Appendix 12

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Glenn Leeder [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 December 2014 13:30  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street (Formerly Public Life)

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

As a local resident I wish to object to the granting of a liquor licence for these premises.

As you know, this establishment, when known as Public Life, was closed by police and the council for anti-social behaviour and drug dealing. 82a Commercial Street is still owned by the proprietor at this time.

I know my previous objections have been a matter of public record, but I have since been bombarded with emails and literature from the applicants. I find this disconcerting and believe it shouldn't be allowed. Less confident objectors may feel pressured because of this. What next? Door-stepping?

Spitalfields and the Brick Lane area has an oversupply of licensed premises. The application falls within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. This recognises the negative impact licensed premises have on local residents. Please bear in mind that the granting of a licence continues to erode the quality of life for local residents. There will be more noise. There will be more urinating and vomiting in the streets. There will be a negative impact on residents. This is a fact.

82a Commercial Street was built as a public lavatory, directly in front of Grade 1 listed Spitalfields Church. I do not believe it is appropriate for licensed premises to operate in this location.

Glenn Leeder  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 13

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Andrew Heron on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 07 January 2015 16:19  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Public Life, 82A Commercial Street - letter of objection to licence applications

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**From:** Alex Gordon Shute [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 07 January 2015 16:16  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Public Life, 82A Commercial Street - letter of objection to licence applications

Dear Licensing Committee,

Following the hearing on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2014 I am submitting a letter of objection against the licence application for alcohol and takeaway food at Public Life at 82A Commercial Street. I did not manage to submit an application previously but am glad to be able to do so now, because of the new process.

The Public Life premises are effectively still run by the previous owner and manager – who was the person in charge when the previous licence was revoked in January 2012. I am not convinced by the entreaties from him and his compatriots that the new incarnation of Public Life would be markedly different in how it was run and the problems it might therefore create for the local area.

In its previous incarnation, Public Life was a troublesome source of anti-social behaviour and nuisance in Spitalfields. When the licence was revoked previously, the ‘final straw’ had been a police raid in the course of which 11 people were arrested for drugs-related and other offences.

My strong view is that the revocation of the licence and closure of the premises have created a safer, more hygienic, and more pleasant environment for the local community.

My grounds for opposing the application are:

You are very aware of the history of anti-social behaviour in the area (noise, vomiting and urination in public places and on domestic household doorsteps). The Public Life premises are right next to a residential area and children will be affected if these behaviours are re-introduced because of their trading with a licence;

The premises have a longstanding association with drug-taking and selling; drugs are a problem that continues to blight the local community;

The previous owner/manager is still strongly associated with the new licence application, and has been previously proven himself unfit to hold an alcohol licence;

The premises are within the LBTH’s Cumulative Impact Zone for alcohol saturation. This saturation policy recognises the negative impact of such premises on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. The zone’s saturation policy should be respected.

I strongly urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Gordon Shute  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 14

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** David Coulling [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 07 January 2015 21:34  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street - Objection to licensing application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

I live at [REDACTED] and lived here when the premises were previously licensed and used as a bar ("Public Life").

The previous use of the premises as a licensed venue had a real impact on antisocial behaviour and drug use in the area - the nature of the space (invisible, difficult to police) made it an attractive post-club after-party venue.

It is also clearly an unsuitable space for public premises, being underground, tiny and with no escape route.

It was a triumph when Public Life's licence was removed after months (years?) of concerted efforts by local residents, community groups and the police. It would be a great shame to undo all that work by granting a new licence.

Yours sincerely,

David Coulling

# Appendix 15

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** David Gadd [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 08 January 2015 21:09  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection to the licence application at 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY - The Loove

Dear LBTH Licencing,

We strongly object to the licence application at 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY.

1. The application is within the Council's Cumulative Impact Zone. The council recognised that the area suffers from cumulative impact as a result of the very high density of alcohol outlets in the vicinity.
2. Further - the basement bar/diner previously occupying these premises under the same ownership caused intolerable levels of disturbance to the neighbouring community.
3. This disturbance emanated directly from the premises due to the inadequate measures for noise insulation and sound limitation. The disturbance was also caused in the form of anti-social behaviour and abuse by customers in its vicinity. Such behaviour consisted of screaming, shouting, swearing, defecating, urinating and vomiting, such that local residents felt frightened to walk past the premises. This affected not only residents but also churchgoers and local businesses.
4. The underground space means it is difficult for the police, fire service and local authority to ensure that the licensing objectives are being met and the number of patrons within the bar.
5. The premises have a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem which continues to blight the local community.
6. This particular application poses problems as there is the strong likelihood that customers will loiter in the local area causing a disturbance whilst they consume takeaway food and alcohol on the steps of local residents the steps of Christ Church and Christ Church gardens which is adjacent to a children's nursery.
7. Since the bar was closed in 2012, the environment around the premises has significantly improved, with less noise, anti-social behaviour and disorder, and measures put in place by the Council and the Police to control crime and disorder.
8. Against this background, the reintroduction of the premises licence would be a seriously retrograde step. It would add to the cumulative impact already being experienced, and would be likely to result in nuisance and crime and disorder .
9. We do not consider that there are conditions which would render the proposal acceptable.

David  
David Gadd and Frank Pickard

[REDACTED]



# Appendix 16

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Eric Rowe [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 05 January 2015 13:20  
**To:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.police.uk; Licensing; Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** The Public Toilets on Commercial Street Spitalfields know as Public Life

Ref licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (THE LOOVE - formerly PUBLIC LIFE)

Greetings:

I understand that a licence application for alcohol and takeaway food has been submitted to LBTH for the premises known as Public Life. This latest one proposes a bar below ground with food stalls above, 7 days a week.

I also understand that the premises remains in the hands of the previous owner under whose watch the community endured years of nuisance and disturbance. As Public Life, the underground nightclub was a major source of ASB and nuisance, and had its licence revoked in January 2012 following a successful police drugs raid. In the course of this raid the owner was one of the 11 people arrested. Closure created a safer, less intimidating neighbourhood.

I feel the premises should never regain an alcohol licence for the following reasons:

- the underground space means it is difficult to ensure licensing objectives are being met
- its single entry/exit increases fire risk
- its lack of soundproofing means noise nuisance is inevitable
- its location in front of historic Christ Church makes drunk and disorderly behaviour associated with this owner ever more unacceptable
- the premises has a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem which continues to blight the local community

In addition, in respect of this specific application:

- the proposal to have ground level gazebos selling takeaway food will mean patrons will spill over into the street/church steps and generally loiter in the local area causing a disturbance whilst they consume takeaway food and alcohol. The vomiting associated with the cocktail of drugs, alcohol and food would only add to the existing problem due to poor decisions by prior boards allowing far too much cheap booze to be on offer in our neighborhood.
- there is already a proliferation of food and alcohol vendors in the area which has increased considerably over recent years resulting in well documented increased levels of anti-social behaviour (patrons urinating and vomiting in the streets)
- there appears to be no way of controlling patrons who drink in the premises once they leave the premises and this would just add to the general misery and unsanitary conditions we must endure from the plethora of licenses already granted

- the applicant's current business is the operation of fast food vans, which if also carried out at the premises will do little to improve the character and atmosphere of the area and is certainly not the high end dining experience they portray in the neighborhood charm offensive
- the applicant's stated objective of working with the community to allay fears is disingenuous particularly as the applicant attempted to throw out all previous objections based on a technicality.

For these reasons, I strongly object to the application and ask you to dismiss it without further delay.

Kind Regard,

Eric Rowe  


# Appendix 17

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Jon Shapiro [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 06 January 2015 07:50  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Licensing Application for "The Loove" at 82a Commercial Street, E1

**Importance:** High

Dear Sir or Madam,

I understand that this Licensing Application for "The Loove", the premises at 82a Commercial Street, E1 previously known as "Public Life" has been resubmitted.

I would like to request that this Licence Application should be wholly refused on the grounds of:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance

as the premises is within the Brick Lane "Cumulative Impact Zone" (CIZ) and the previous track record of use of these premises is appalling. As the premises is still in the ownership of the same leaseholder, and as that leaseholder seems only interested in obtaining as much income as possible from the premises, I do not believe the premises should ever again hold an alcohol licence until and unless the premises is in new ownership.

The CIZ is already (by definition!) over-supplied with alcohol, and is already stated by our Borough Police Commander to be the "number one policing problem in Tower Hamlets". Until and unless this area ceases to be such a policing problem I believe that 82a Commercial Street should never again hold an alcohol licence. The premises are very small and underground with very little ventilation. It is difficult to envisage how these premises could ever be profitable at the level expected by the leaseholder (who values the premises at £800,000!) unless an illegal activity is involved ..... as indeed drugs were abundantly involved in the leaseholder's previous tenant "Public Life" – whom the leaseholder then allowed to try to obtain another Licence using alias names.

As you will be aware the Fournier Street area is still plagued by drug dealing, and the premises at 82a Commercial Street would be a magnet for such drug dealing – as indeed they were previously for many years until raided by 50 police in November 2012.

For all the reasons quoted above I request **most strongly** that this Licensing Application should be **wholly rejected**, and if I may I would like to make this request as:

- 1) A resident of Spitalfields
- 2) Chair of the Police Ward Panel, and on behalf of the Ward Panel
- 3) Chair of SPIRE which now speaks on ASB matters for local resident and community groups representing over 700 local residents in the Brick Lane area, and on behalf of those 700+ local residents.

Yours faithfully,  
Jon Shapiro.

Resident at:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 18

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Kate Harrington [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 06 January 2015 16:42  
**To:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** Licensing application: 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please record my OBJECTION to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises. The application proposes using the underground space as a bar. It is difficult to ensure the licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street, as was definitively proved.

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning fire risk is inevitable and danger from overcrowding a constant likelihood. It has no soundproofing so will cause noise breakout from below ground and direct noise from above ground, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants are not including live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status. This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

The premises has a long standing association with drug selling and using. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons hoping for a return to its former incarnation. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

Kind regards, Kate Harrington

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 19



## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Conor McLernon <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 28 December 2014 10:12  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Fwd: OBJECTION to license application for 82a Commercial Street

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

Dear Sir/Madam

Please find the objection to the license application by DRS Caterers Ltd for 82a Commercial Street. We are aware the applicant has made minor changes to the application, i.e. the removal of the request for off-sales rights, but this does not change our fundamental objection.

The Spitalfields Society OBJECTS to the application by DRS Caterers Ltd for 82a Commercial Street.

The application is wholly inappropriate for the site.

You are no doubt aware that previous establishments on the site have been a source of significant dissatisfaction for the local residents. This has stemmed from the site's limitations. It has a tiny, dank underground space - in practice most patrons have spilled outside the area of the site into the nearby churchyard and into residential areas.

Unfortunately we are not convinced, looking at DRS Caterers website - that this would represent an appropriate business for the area. There is no evidence of any experience running an 'art gallery', nor do we see the arrangement of 'three gazebos' as aesthetically pleasing or fitting for a site beside a Grade I listed church.

Local residents see this as no more than a static burger van requesting a 12 hours a day, 7 days a week alcohol license.

The site lies within the Cumulative Impact Zone. As such the license request should be subject to the rebuttable presumption that the effects of approval would be deleterious to the local community.

As previous experience has shown, patrons would spill out over the local areas. The site does not have appropriate toilet facilities and the implications for residents are obvious. Noise, broken bottles and blocking of the pavement and other anti-social behaviour can all be anticipated. Tower Hamlets in general and the Brick Lane area specifically do not need any more licensed premises or off-licenses.

As such the Spitalfields Society feels the request should be REJECTED outright.

Yours,

Conor McLernon

# Appendix 20

Dr Maria Lenn  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

5 January 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

**Objection to licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (PUBLIC LIFE)**

I live a few minutes' walk from these premises, and I am horrified to hear that a further licence application has been submitted to LBTH by Public Life for 82a Commercial St.

You will recall that this bar had to be shut down and have its licence revoked in January 2012, after so many public complaints about the rowdy and anti-social behaviour of its customers, culminating in a drugs raid by the police.

The owner of Public Life was himself arrested in the drugs raid, but it appears that he has now submitted yet another application for alcohol and takeaway food at the same venue.

There are a number of problem attached to the premises being used for these purposes, including the question of whether the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold such a licence. The bar is based underground, so monitoring what is happening there would be particularly difficult, but it is obvious that the proposal for this owner to sell alcohol from 11am to the late hours (including from 12.00 on Sundays) will encourage the same clientele as before, and create a severe risk of yet more anti-social behaviour, seriously affecting the health, safety and well being of the local residents. The bar was previously identified as being a magnet for drug sellers and takers. Given that many problems related to drug use already abound in the local neighbourhood, there is absolutely no need to encourage even more drug-related problems.

There is also a very serious fire hazard risk, with just one entrance to the bar and no other way out. Additionally, the lack of any soundproofing means the threat of even more disruptive noise for the local neighbourhood.

I also understand that the site falls within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone, and on these grounds alone, the application for the license must be refused.

Yours faithfully

Dr Maria Lenn

# Appendix 21

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Nicholas Shiren [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 January 2015 18:51  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Licensing; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.police.uk  
**Subject:** OBJECTION: licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (THE LOOVE - formerly PUBLIC LIFE)

I understand that a licence application for alcohol and takeaway food has been submitted to LBTH for the premises known as Public Life. This latest one proposes a bar below ground with food stalls above, 7 days a week.

I also understand that the premises remains in the hands of the previous owner under whose watch the community endured years of nuisance and disturbance. As Public Life, the underground nightclub was a major source of ASB and nuisance, and had its licence revoked in January 2012 following a successful police drugs raid. In the course of this raid the owner was one of the 11 people arrested. Closure created a safer, less intimidating neighbourhood.

I feel the premises should never regain an alcohol licence for the following reasons:

- the underground space means it is difficult to ensure licensing objectives are being met
- its single entry/exit increases fire risk
- its lack of soundproofing means noise nuisance is inevitable
- its location in front of Christ Church makes it an inappropriate venue for drunk and disorderly behaviour
- the premises has a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem which continues to blight the local community

In addition, in respect of this specific application:

- the proposal to have ground floor gazebos selling takeaway food will mean patrons will spill over into the street/church steps and generally loiter in the local area causing a disturbance whilst they consume takeaway food and alcohol
- there is already a proliferation of food and alcohol vendors in the area which has increased considerably over recent years resulting in well documented increased levels of anti-social behaviour (patrons urinating and vomiting in the streets)
- there appears to be no way of controlling patrons who drink in the premises once they leave the premises
- the applicant's current business is the operation of fast food vans, which if also carried out at the premises will do little to improve the character and atmosphere of the area
- the applicant's stated objective of working with the community to allay fears is disingenuous particularly as the applicant attempted to throw out all previous objections based on a technicality.

For these reasons, I strongly object to the application.

Yours sincerely

Nick Shiren

# Appendix 22

**Kathy Driver**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 11 January 2015 17:09  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** The licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing you to OBJECT to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

I (Edson Williams) live on [REDACTED] with my family and strongly object to the license being granted.

This location has proven in the past not to be suitable because of the anti social behaviour caused in front of the church and in front of my house. The location has a drug selling and using association and old dealers and users will most likely come back.

We are struggling enough with the Ten Bells we don't need another ASOB center.

Kind regards,

Edson Williams

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# Appendix 23



## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Ben Adler <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 11 January 2015 17:12  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Licence application for The Loove 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

Dear LBTH Licensing

We are writing to object to the license application at The Loove, 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY.

When it was last a licenced venue there were lots of problems caused by it, with drug issues and anti-social behaviour caused by the club spilling out in to the surrounding area.

We think there are already more than enough drinking venues in the immediate area, so another is not welcome or needed. We understand there is an issue of cumulative impact, and feel this new venue will add unhelpfully to that cumulative array.

We worry about fire escapes and risk for occupants of the proposed venue.

We would ask that you reject the application.

Yours sincerely

Ben

Ben Adler and Pat Llewellyn  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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# Appendix 24

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Marenka Gabeler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 11 January 2015 20:17  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** OBJECTION

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

I am a resident of [REDACTED] in Spitalfields and mother of a young child. I was surprised to hear of the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street. As far as I'm aware the premises is within the Cumulative Impact Zone, implemented by LBTH, and therefore application should be refused.

82a Commercial Street has been proved unsuitable as a licensed premises in the past. It is a small space, easily overcrowded with only one exit and no fire exit. In the past illegal activities took place there (drugs selling) which was made easy because the premises is underground completely shielded from street view.

Also, the premises is right in front of Christ Church, a grade one listed building. It would be unsuitable for crowds of people to consume food and drink on its doorstep as many would hang out outside the bar.

As a mother in an already crowded area of London with plenty of nightlife and plenty of places to go out I don't see how the application for 82a Commercial Street can in any way enhance the neighbourhood for it's residents and visitors.

Yours truly,

Marenka Gabeler  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 25

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** pat jones <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 11:04  
**To:** Licensing; Mohshin Ali; alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a commercial street  
**Attachments:** 1885\_001.pdf

dear all - please see attached letter of objection - regards pat jones



12 January 2015

Licensing Department  
London Borough of Tower Hamlets

By email to [licensing@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

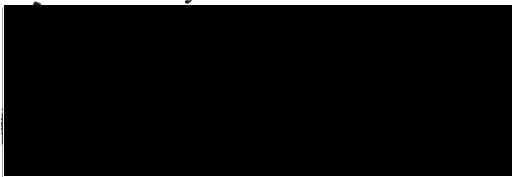
Dear Sirs

**Licence application for 82a Commercial street**

I wish to object to the application for a licence for these premises on the following grounds

1. it is well documented by the council and the police that this area suffers hugely from antisocial behaviour caused by alcohol and drug abuse emanating from the various establishments in the area – these premises are one of the main culprits and since they were closed by the police and the council there is no doubt that there has been a reduction in the anti-social behaviour in the immediate vicinity. To grant a new licence will simply start the problems all over again
2. the premises are in any event wholly unsuitable to licensed premises – a small basement with no proper means of escape in case of fire, outside a church and in the immediate vicinity of residential premises
- 3 the area is completely saturated with drinking premises

Yours faithfully



Pat Jones

# Appendix 26

## Kathy Driver

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**From:** Stephen Gummer <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 11:03  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Licensing  
**Cc:** Karen Seward  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street London E1 6LY

Dear Sir/Madam

My wife, Karen Seward, and I are resident at [REDACTED]

We **OBJECT** to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street London E1 6LY. The basis for our objection is as follows:

### **Noise pollution**

The area has already a huge number of pubs and clubs playing extremely loud music. Yet another pub/club will only add to the appalling noise pollution that we already endure, both from the music itself and from the noise of those attending these establishments. The noise at night is already terrible with people shouting, singing, fighting and abusing each other through the night, particularly on Thursday through to Sunday nights, so a majority of the week. It is impossible to understand why there is a need for another space that will generate yet more nuisance and noise pollution.

### **Degradation of the environment**

While in operation previously, it was extremely unpleasant to pass Public Life. There were any number of drunk/drugged and aggressive people hanging around, who were often abusive and unpleasant to those passing by. The result was intimidating and unacceptable. Further, there was an enormous amount of rubbish that was left around the place by those attending. Fast food boxes containing half eaten food, bottles and other rubbish was just thrown onto the street, making the environment quite disgusting and unhealthy. This in itself was enough but the fact that it extended inevitably into the precincts of Christ Church, a grade 1 listed property of considerable architectural importance, is just totally inappropriate.

### **Attracting criminal behaviour**

This area has a well recognised problem with the sale of drugs. Public Life was a magnet for this type of criminal behaviour, with all of the associated consequences for those who live nearby. Given the dreadful history that this club has and the fact that the owners have made no effort at all to stop this activity, it is impossible to see on what reasonable basis this application should be granted. It would seem to be inevitable that the new incarnation will revert back to its previous practices. We have enough of a drug problem in this area, we certainly do not need to encourage it yet further.

### **Unsuitability of the premises**

The premises are very clearly unsuitable for this type of use. With one point of access and egress it is an obvious fire risk. The owners have consistently proved that they are irresponsible in how they run the club and no doubt overcrowding is inevitable.

### **Conclusion**

The owners of this property have clearly demonstrated that they do not have the ability to run such an establishment responsibly. If reopened, all of the same problems will simply surface again. There are plenty of establishments around here who can cater to this need. There is no need for another one, particularly one that will inevitably lead to further nuisance, disruption, intimidation and criminal activity.

On this basis we **OBJECT** to this application.

Yours faithfully



STEPHEN GUMMER

Stephen Gummer

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# Appendix 27

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Charlie de Wet [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 30 December 2014 10:53  
**To:** licensing@towerhamlets.gov.uk  
**Cc:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street

Dear Sir

I write to strongly object to the proposal of awarding a license to the above property situated right outside Christ Church Spitalfields.

Spitalfields has more than enough bars to service the needs of residents, the community, workers, tourists and passers by. Adding yet another one, located in such a totally inappropriate place, is unacceptable.

Christ Church is Nicholas Hawkesmoor's masterpiece and attracts some 40,000 visitors a year to admire the English baroque architecture as well as many worshippers, like me, who attend this church for services. To have an underground bar within feet of what is a world-class building and to tolerate the rowdy crowds, the jeering, the pestering, the debris and the jostling - let alone the drug dealing, as we have had to endure in the past, is also unacceptable. The proposal may or may not meet the basic planning requirements but you have no control on how the building will be used, their clientele, their anti-social behaviour, their management etc.

Christ Church is a jewel in the Borough of Tower Hamlets and the planners should be actively protecting the environment in which this building is sited.

I object to this application.

Charlie de Wet ( Mrs)

[REDACTED]

# Appendix 28

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 02 January 2015 10:24  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: another objection to licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

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**From:** Glen Mifsud [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** 29 December 2014 15:16  
**To:** Alex Lisowski; Licensing; Simmi Yesmin  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** another objection to licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

Dear Tower Hamlets licensing department.

Please register and acknowledge my renewed objection to the latest licensing application for the ex-Public Life premises at 82a Commercial Street.

I understand that despite previous objections, and a hearing in December, there is another hearing to be scheduled for an application to licence these premises.

Hopefully this will be the last, as the local community is determined that these premises and this landlord should never be licenced to sell alcohol or to play music.

- The premises are unsuitable for alcohol consumption, due to the inevitability of associated public nuisance and the intimidating effect of that on the church-goers in the immediate vicinity, as well as on residents.
- The premises have been shown to be prone to over-crowding with the consequent fire risk of a small underground space with only one narrow entry and no fire exit.
- The premises have no insulation for noise or against fire risk.

“Ex-Public Life” says it all: the operation of licensed premises at this address caused misery for residents for years, because both the premises themselves and the owner are unfit to contain or run any business involving the sale of alcohol and the playing of music. This was recognised by the Licensing Committee a couple of years ago and the licence accordingly revoked. Nothing has changed. The sale of alcohol is unacceptable here, because there is an established record of not adhering to licensing controls, such that drunk and abusive people were served beyond permissible hours and allowed to intimidate the neighbourhood with anti-social behaviour. The owner of the premises repeatedly flouted the law and showed no intention of ever sticking to licence conditions. Drugs were found on these premises by the police, and the notoriety of the venue will once again attract those party-goers that took those drugs and inflicted the misery of ASB and violence on the community. He cannot be trusted to be the landlord of any business, even if apparently fronted by a tenant, that allows a continuation of this abuse of alcohol and drugs. There is no probability that the proposed business would succeed, leaving licenced premises in the hands of a known offender against Council rules and the law, as the police will attest.

In any case, the premises are unsuitable for music, as the glass walls and light bricks offer no sound/vibration insulation and the noise disturbance immediately leaks to the surrounding area, causing further nuisance.

Neighbours were always able to hear and feel the vibration of Public Life music in their homes.

The site would continue to accommodate over-crowding with no fire exit: a fire and crush hazard difficult to control. When the police last raided the place, there was significant over-crowding, hidden from the street by its dangerous, underground location.

The combination of alcohol, music and crowds would inevitably cause an unacceptable level of public nuisance. This is particularly unacceptable on the very steps of Christ Church. There is a history of church-goers and children being intimidated by Public Life customers. I myself was threatened with violence and would not feel safe in my home.

In summary,

These premises should never, ever regain any alcohol or music licence, as it is clear:

- the small, hidden space has always made it difficult to police licensing conditions and capacity constraints, and they've regularly been flouted by this owner's tenants
- its single exit means significant fire risk, made worse by regular over-crowding and the inability to police occupation limits. There was a case in recent years of a fire tragedy in a similar underground toilet location for this same reason. Does the Council want this risk?
- lack of sound insulation makes noise nuisance automatic and unavoidable
- it is virtually on the steps of Christ Church - inappropriate venue for drunk and disorderly behaviour, as well as food litter and associated human waste. Public Life regularly spewed forth human excrement and vomit from its drunken customers
- the premises has long been a well-known place to buy drugs and will attract its old clientele again, causing misery to the local residents and legitimate businesses

There are already far too many venues for buying and consuming alcohol in this area.

Yet another place to do so, on this notorious site, would leave the area awash with drunks and their associated ASB, urine and vomit. This is unacceptable and must be rejected.

Imagine the headlines and public disgust if LBTH gets this wrong:

"Council allows notorious drug den to re-open for business, selling alcohol in an area already saturated with pubs and clubs, where the police constantly battle the ASB and crime spilling into residential streets and onto the steps of one of the finest churches in London".

Finally, when fire breaks out in the over-crowded, underground space, lacking a fire exit, and causes death and injury, everyone will want to know why the lessons of previous such tragedies in London were not heeded.

Yours.

Glen Mifsud

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# Appendix 29

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 02 January 2015 10:24  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: 82A Commercial Street

**From:** JOHN NICOLSON [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 27 December 2014 15:07  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** 82A Commercial Street

JOHN NICOLSON  
[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam,

FAO Tower Hamlets Licensing re 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

OBJECTION.

I wish to register my objection to the license application for the above premises.

The owner has been waging a long war of attrition against the local people and his repeated license applications form a part of this.

In the many years we fought to have the bar closed down the owner and various managers whom he employed briefly as fronts for his business repeatedly lied to LBTH Planning, Licensing, the police, and the Fire authorities about his activities.

Our experience was that;

- he operated out of hours consistently over many years
- he admitted the drunk and drugged
- he packed the tiny space hugely in excess of permitted numbers
- he advertised on line and elsewhere as an illegal out of hours club
- he played music with no sound control

The result of this was an extremely unpleasant environment for people living nearby. Over many years we had to put up with the drunk and drugged urinating, vomiting, and sometimes defecating outside our houses. People would sleep off the drink in our house doorways.

The noise associated with the club was horrendous. Our houses shook with the speaker systems.



The club acted as a magnet for drug sales with knock on crime.

We fought to have the owner forced to comply with the law and found it immensely difficult to get LBTH authorities to act. Instead, over many years, a series of licensing committees would give him one after another 'final warnings'.

It took the arrival of a new young police officer to the neighbourhood to challenge the kafka-esque impasse. Organising an unannounced police raid she found that all the claims we'd made were true;

- the club was packed well in excess of its capacity
- the floor was littered with hurriedly discarded drugs
- the staff were selling drugs from behind the bar

As a consequence several arrests were made including that of members of staff and the owner.

During the subsequent license hearing the owner produced a list of names and 'signatures' in support of the continuation of his license. Having contacted those named we were able to demonstrate that the signatures were forged.

Finally he lost his license.

The owner subsequently tried to re-open using a new manager whom he claimed he didn't know. We were able to establish that the new manager was an old employee using a false name.

This long sorry saga demonstrates clearly that the premises' owner is a disreputable person for whom truth is meaningless. He has no interest in running a respectable business.

Since the premises closed there has been a marked decrease in anti social behaviour in the area.

It would be quite wrong to re-open the premises with a license - especially with the same owner.

The premises stand directly outside Christ Church - the Grade 1 listed jewel of Spitalfields. It's still a functioning religious premise. And watching, as we did in the past, bridal parties having to endure abuse from drunk clubbers leaving the former 'Public Life' was a regular, unsavoury, experience for locals.

It is a tiny space - a former Victorian underground lavatory. There is no fire exit. Were there to be a fire on or around the staircase those trapped inside would have no means of escape as they would be trapped underground in a tiny concrete bunker.

It would be irresponsible in numerous regards for a new license to be granted to these premises and I oppose the application.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN NICOLSON

# Appendix 30

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Alex Lisowski on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 02 January 2015 12:03  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: "The Loove" - 82A Commercial Street - OBJECTION

Mohshin,  
One of yours.  
Alex.

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**From:** Peter Boisseau [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 02 January 2015 11:49  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** "The Loove" - 82A Commercial Street - OBJECTION

Dear Licensing Committee

I would like to express my strong opposition to the licence application for provision of alcohol and takeaway food, for 82A Commercial Street, commonly known as Public Life, and urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

I believe that the premises remain essentially in the hands of the previous owner and manager and that the past grounds for objection raised by the community, remain entirely valid. I believe that the owner's stated plans are unlikely to achieve sufficient profitability and that, were a licence to be granted, the premises would soon revert to its former use of alcohol and drug abuse. The premises have a longstanding association with drug-taking and selling. Drugs are a problem that continues to blight the local community.

Situated immediately outside Christchurch, the underground nightclub, known as 'Pubic Life', was a major nuisance and source of anti-social behaviour in our community. A police raid resulted in around a dozen people being arrested for drugs-related and other offences, and following numerous complaints from a wide spectrum of the community, the premises had their licence revoked in 2012. This was a huge relief to local residents, as well as church-goers and the community in general. To have the anxiety of the types of low life that would congregate around the premises – drinking on the street and intimidating residents – removed, greatly increased the ability of folk to go about their normal lives.

I believe that the previous owner and manager, who have shown themselves to be unfit to hold an alcohol licence, remain involved. The anti-social behaviour in the area associated with alcohol sales and late night drinking has repeatedly been reported to both Tower Hamlets and the police - noise, vomiting and urination on or around households' front doorsteps. These premises abut a residential area where children pass on their way to school on a daily basis. That families should have to make their way past the low-life that inhabit these premises and spill across the pavement is completely unacceptable. The premises are within the Borough's Cumulative Impact Zone for Alcohol Saturation – a policy that recognises the negative impact on the quality of lives that these premises have on those living and working within the area. The zone's saturation policy should be respected and vigorously enforced.

The committee should accept that premises of this limited size, cannot – and never will – be able to sustain a viable business plan without eventually resorting to illegal means. The premises are fit for one thing and one thing only; as public toilets. Given the scarcity of facilities - in an area where residents are continually harassed by people urinating against their front doors – one wonders why these premises are not used for exactly that – as public toilets with an attendant on duty. Failing this, the basement premises should be filled with concrete and the pavement relaid.

I urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Boisseau

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# Appendix 31

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** heard nora [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 January 2015 14:26  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Licence application, 82a, Commercial Street E1

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Mr. Ali,

Re: Application for a licence to sell alcohol at 82a, Commercial Street, E1 6LY, as part of plans for a bar/food/arts venue

As requested, I am resubmitting my recent objection, and confirm that I am aware of the amendments made by the applicants.

My reasons for objecting are as follows:

- a) these premises are totally unsuitable for any use which involves people gathering in the downstairs area, as its size and lack of exit options in an emergency such as a fire render it an enormous public safety risk
- b) quite apart from this safety issue, the fact that the premises are mainly located underground, and therefore hidden from public gaze, means that they provide the ideal venue for secretive illegal activities such as drug dealing, which has been rife on that site in the past
- c) anti-social activity of all sorts (extremely loud music played at all hours, shouting and brawling, intimidation of pedestrians at street level, urinating in the street, as well as drug taking) has been a huge problem at these premises in the past and is likely to recur if alcohol is available, whoever is managing the site; the location right outside the church makes this a particularly sensitive issue
- d) finally, 82a, Commercial Street has a well-documented history of breaching its licence, and of being a totally disreputable venue: given that the actual ownership of the premises has not changed, this alone should convince the Committee that the application should be rejected.

Yours sincerely,  
(Ms.) Nora Heard, [REDACTED]

# Appendix 32

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Anne Hartnett <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 03 January 2015 21:10  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** Objection to 82a commercial street

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Sir

I would like to formally object to the plans for 82a commercial street. We do not need another bar in the area. We already have issues with urination and drug dealing and another bar would only exacerbate the issue.

Previously as it was Public Life you had people there drunk in the early hours of the morning, which was completely not suitable given the location is directly outside Christchurch, hardly suitable for anyone going to church.

Kind Regards,

Anne Hartnett [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad



# Appendix 33

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Tim [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 09 January 2015 17:25  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** RE: The Loove, 82a Commercial St E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

THE SPITALFIELDS HISTORIC BUILDINGS TRUST

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/ Madam,

We are writing to object to the proposed licensing application for 82a Commercial St. The location of the premises is wholly unsuited to operation as a licensed business in a former WC, adjacent as it is to a public park, Christ Church School nursery and Christ Church Spitalfields itself. As a prominent social presence in Spitalfields for over 35 years, we the Spityalfields Trust support both the immediate neighbours and the local police force in opposing this license. The premises have a long history of anti-social behaviour associated with them including drunkenness and drug dealing in particular. We urge you to turn down this application for a license for sale of alcohol.

Yours Sincerely  
The Trustees of the Spitalfields Historic Buildings Trust

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From: [Mohshin.Ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:Mohshin.Ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk)  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: The Loove, 82a Commercial St E1 6LY  
Date: Fri, 9 Jan 2015 11:52:48 +0000

Thank you for your email, however I cannot accept your representation as no address has been given and have not detailed who you represent. I would suggest you detail what the issues are/were as Members will not be able to make any decision with the limited information provided in your representation and are unlikely to know the history of the premises. The Licensing Sub Committee has a large number of new members who will not be aware of the circumstances of these premises.

The close date for representations is 13<sup>th</sup> January.

Regards

*Kathy Driver*  
*Principal Licensing Officer*  
*Toby Club, Naudrey Close, E1 4UA*

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CC: [alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk)  
Subject: The Loove, 82a Commercial St E1 6LY  
Date: Thu, 8 Jan 2015 18:33:03 +0000

Dear Sir,

We are writing to object to the proposed licensing application for 82a Commercial St.

The premises are wholly unsuitable as a licensed premises with a long history of anti-social behaviour, drunkenness and drug dealing. We urge you to turn this application down.

Yours Sincerely

The Trustees of the Spitalfields Trust

# Appendix 34

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** StGeorgeResidents'Association <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 09 January 2015 22:26  
**To:** Licensing; Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.police.uk  
**Subject:** The Loove, 82A Commercial Street, E1 6LY. Premises Licence Application.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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From:  
Margaret Gordon - Chairman, St George Residents' Association,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

To: Mr Mohshin Ali,  
Licensing Section,  
Trading Standards,  
Town Hall,  
Mulberry Place,  
London  
E14 2BG

Dear Mr Ali,

Re: Premises Licence Application - The Loove, 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY

St George Residents' Association represents owners and residents in 193 flats built by St George (North) London in the 1990s. The flats include addresses on the south side of Folgate Street from Spital Square to Commercial Street, many of them facing onto Lamb Street. Most of the flats are within three minutes walk from 82A Commercial Street.

We regularly suffer from noise, litter and urination and vomit by people who have become inebriated either in bars or have purchased alcohol from off-licences. It is not unusual for groups of noisy drinkers to arrive after closing time at the seated paved area immediately outside our flats on Lamb Street.

After "Public Life" was closed, the amount of antisocial behaviour associated with 82A Commercial Street decreased. In the meantime, however, other premises in the locality have been granted licences to sell alcohol. Therefore we oppose any further increase in the number of licensed premises within the Cumulative Impact Zone and especially so close to where we live. The demands on policing Spitalfields is already stretched.

The DRS Caterers Ltd description of the business "The Loove" that they propose to operate sounds interesting. Our concern is the siting of the venue and the safe access for clients who will arrive and leave in groups. People are likely to gather around the entrance at pavement level, thereby being a source of noise nuisance, especially after an evening of drinks. The size of the entrance was designed for individuals wishing to use the underground public convenience, arriving and leaving singly or maybe two together, at spaced intervals, not to accommodate groups of drinkers and diners for an evening out. We question that the venue exit is adequate in an emergency.

The applicant intends to have outdoor furniture with table parasols at street level. This seems an inappropriate use of the pavement which is a much used walkway. The natural tendency will be for groups of clients to radiate from the railings.

We ask that the application be REFUSED because we believe it will be a source of noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour in the immediate vicinity and in the nearby streets when clients walk to stations and bus stops. We consider that this site will again attract groups of noisy drinkers below-street and, more importantly, at street level.

Yours faithfully,

Margaret Gordon - Chairman, St George Residents' Association, Spitalfields.

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## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Juliet Mckoen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 11 January 2015 12:24  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** LICENSING APPLICATION 82A COMMERCIAL ST

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am writing to very strongly oppose this application.

The premises are within the Cumulative Impact Zone which is already over-saturated with licensed premises. Another licensed premises will only only add to the anti-social behaviour caused by drunk, drugged & disordly people within the area.

The fallout from people using these premises have, when licensed hitherto, caused multiple problems for both the police and local residents. These include extreme noise, extreme anti-socal behaviour and drug-dealing.

Local residents groups have met with the applicants, who have repeatedly canvassed local people with pamphlets, and are not at all convinced that their proposals will change the nature of the previous operation of the premises.

A use needs to be found for this building that does not involve alcohol due to its extreme previous history of rowdiness, flouting of the law and drug-dealing.

There is great public feeling about this place in the neighbourhood and residents fonght for several years to revoke the previous licence because of the problems emanating from visitors to the place.

Please do not re-licence this place

Juliet McKoen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 36



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** James Imrie Gmail [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 08:31  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; 'Selina Mifsud'; 'Jon Shapiro'  
**Subject:** FW: PLEASE (RE)SUBMIT OBJECTION TO LICENSING APPLICATION 82A COMMERCIAL STREET E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Spitalfields Community Group (SCG) OBJECTS to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Spitalfields Community Group (SCG) was founded in 2011 with the aim of representing those who live and work in Spitalfields, enhancing their quality of living, and improving their sense of community. To that end, we have sought to represent the consensus view as demonstrated in our latest survey of members' priorities, which highlights continued concern about the detrimental effect of the night time economy in the area on our domestic and working lives.

SCG actively supported the adoption and implementation of the Cumulative Impact Zone by LBTH, which recognizes the negative impact on residential amenity of the dense concentration of licensed premises in our community. The premises at 82a Commercial Street is within the Zone, and for this reason alone should be refused.

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises. The application proposes using the underground space as a bar. It is difficult to ensure the licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street, as was definitively proved.

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning fire risk is inevitable and danger from overcrowding a constant likelihood. It has no soundproofing so will cause noise breakout from below ground and direct noise from above ground, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants are not including live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status. This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

The premises has a long standing association with drug selling and using. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons hoping for a return to its former incarnation. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

We have recently met with the applicant and raised these concerns with him. Unfortunately his responses did nothing at all to allay these fears and we therefore wish to OBJECT to the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6L.

Kind Regards,

James Imrie  
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## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** James Isola <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 09 January 2015 15:45  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alex Lisowski; Licensing  
**Subject:** OBJECTION to licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (The Loove)

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear All,

I believe you are considering a new licence application for the former toilets outside Christ Church Spitalfield, so they can serve alcohol and takeaway food.

I live on [REDACTED] and I completely object to their application. The venue and the owner's activities have been a serious source of danger, drunkenness, excessive noise and general in the neighbourhood for some time. There was even a drug raid and the arrest of the owner. It is therefore inconceivable that anyone would consider another application for what effectively would become a late night bar.

This is without even mentioning how inappropriate it would be to have a drinking establishment, with all the associated noise, possible drug taking, filth and late-night disruption, right on the steps of one of London's most iconic and important religious establishments.

I note there is only one exit. How can this be safe- what if there is a fire, how would you feel if there was one after you approved the license? You can be sure I would forward my email to the Evening Standard editorial team, to James Pickford, London correspondent at the Financial Times, and to Andrew Gilligan at the Telegraph, as a 'I told you so' warning.

I also strenuously object on the grounds of saturation and over-concentration: the venue site is within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. There are already too many bars and takeaways in the neighbourhood.

Yours Sincerely,

James Isola

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## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Olwen Evans <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 11:36  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** Fwd: Licensing Application . The Loove ( former public life )

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**Subject:** **Licensing Application . The Loove ( former public life )**

Dear Sirs

My name is Olwen Evans , I live at [REDACTED] .

I am writing to object to the current application for an alcohol licence for the above premises.  
I did object to an earlier application.

I am objecting for the following reasons

1 As someone who lives opposite a pub , and on a street used as a cut through at night by drinkers leaving bars and clubs nearby , I have first hand experience of the noise , nuisance , and aggression generated by large numbers of people who have consumed large quantities of alcohol . I understand that this building falls within the Brick Lane Cumulative Impact zone , and it is my view that saturation point has been reached in the area with regard to licensed premises .

2 I note the proposed opening hours , and they are very long . The food proposed to be served is not very substantial and barely more than a snack,

3 The premises are totally unsuitable for this use. The fact that everything is underground and hidden from casual view means that it is easy for standards to slip , and difficult to properly manage. One exit and entrance must be a potential fire / safety issue .

Please feel free to contact me if you wish.

Yours faithfully

Olwen Evans

Sent from my iPad

# Appendix 39

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Greg Cripps [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 12:09  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; Greg Cripps  
**Subject:** I strongly object to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I strongly object to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

82a Commercial Street has been a large source of anti-social behaviour in the Spitalfields area in the past and there is no indication that it will not continue to be so if their current application is granted. As home owners and members of the community, we have had to endure terrible scenes of public drunkenness, urination, fighting in the area around 82a Commercial Street when it operated in the past. We do not want to go back to this situation. Regards, Greg Cripps, [REDACTED]. Phone: [REDACTED]

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## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Dennis Severs' House [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 12:45  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** The Loove, 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY application for alcohol licence

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Dennis Severs' House



Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: The Loove, 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY application for alcohol licence**

We are writing to object to the proposed licencing application for the above premises.

Dennis Severs' House has been operating in Spitalfields for over thirty years, and in this time we have witnessed anti-social behaviour in the form of drunkenness and drug use previously at this premises. We feel granting a licence to this premises could create an unsafe environment and thus have a negative impact on the local community and on local businesses. This risk is heightened by the premises' proximity to Christ Church School nursery, the church itself and to a public park. I would be most grateful if you could take the above into consideration when assessing this application.

Sincerely,

Dennis Severs' House.



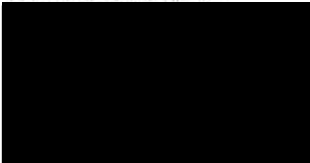
Dennis Severs' House



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Dennis Severs' House



# Appendix 41

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Adam STANHOPE [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 13:35  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** OBJECTION TO LICENSING APPLICATION 82A COMMERCIAL STREET E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

To whom it may concern

I am writing to object to the Licence application at 82A Commercial Street. I live at [REDACTED] which is opposite 82A.

I object on the following grounds.

- 1) 82a falls within the Brick Lane Cumulative Impact Zone, we just do not need any further Drinking Establishments within this area as the cumulative effect is has a negative effect on the residents of the area.
- 2) Protection of Children. This location is directly opposite a school and play area we know from past history the impact this has on our children that use the facilities.
- 3) Crime & disorder. This venue has historically attracted drug related crimes and drunk and disorderly behaviour. This will reoccur if the council support this application.
- 4) Noise and public disorder. This venue is totally unsuited for the sale and provision of alcohol as it was deigned as a toilet. We know from experience that the when the clientele leave this establishment and return to street level they cause significant problems and public disorder.

Finally given all of the history of problems, crime and disorder associated with this venue the application should be turned down.

Your sincerely  
Adam Stanhope

# Appendix 42

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Michael Myers <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 14:52  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial St E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Sir

I am re-submitting my objection to licensing application for 82a Commercial St.

The premises being underground, the likelihood of a fire breaking out, and only one exit, the stairs leading down into the basement, should surely merit intense consideration.

Unfortunately, people panic when faced with this crisis. Scrambling over tables and chairs adds to the confusion. I've highlighted this possible happening, as living on the Spitalfields Market site I've witnessed several fires occurring in restaurant kitchens within the market, the past several years. Because 82a would be providing cooked food, the above possibilities need to be taken into strong consideration.

Of course there's other concerns re this application.

A bar for selling alcohol

Kitchen fumes/smells would have to escape from a pipe at ground level

Take away food would/could be consumed outside one of London's famous churches

|A proposal for music to be played at a later date

I understand the applicant has met with some local resident objectors, he did nothing to allay their fears.

I ask the committee to reject this application

Michael Myers  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 43

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Julia Stegemann [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 16:15  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Licensing  
**Cc:** gregorycripps; Spitalfields Community Group;  
Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Re: Public Life, 82A Commercial St London E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Mr Ali:

I am appalled to learn that there has been a renewed application made to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 for the space under the pavement at 82A Commercial Street, London E1 6LY. We were relieved when the club in this location was finally closed down in December 2011, following a police raid, after years of strong objections by local residents. I was one of those that complained about the previous club on the grounds of the public nuisance caused by drug deals and knife fights in front of our house and our neighbours' children, but even I was astounded by the magnitude of the positive change caused by its closure. While significant anti-social behaviour (urinating, vomiting and noise) due to the large number of premises serving alcohol in our neighbourhood continues and is battled by all of us with the assistance of the police, the drug dealing and fighting has declined massively as a consequence of the closure. Apart from the disturbance and mess, we feared for our safety when the club was operating and spilling aggressive individuals into the neighbourhood.

While the present application is claiming to be a more civilised enterprise, in fact it is difficult to control activities once the license has been given. There is little evidence that the claimed use will be commercially viable, and the site, and new license, would ultimately remain in the hands of the same owner who has badly let us down previously. I urge you to definitively refuse this application.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Best regards,

Julia Stegemann  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 44



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 18:52  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; Licensing  
**Subject:** Licensing application The Loove, 82A Commercial Street

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the application to run a licensed premises from this address, the former public toilet which is located outside the Grade 1 listed historic Christchurch.

Not only is this venue wholly unsuited for this type of business, but also it would be an unwelcome addition to the number of licensed premises in the area.

Such businesses however well run still rely on the tolerance of residents and make their profits from the acquiescence of the neighbourhood. This tolerance has been stretched to the limit by the sheer volume of establishments in the area permitted to serve alcohol to paying customers. This has led to many well documented acts of antisocial behaviour including public urination, vomiting, late night noise, street fights and drug abuse.

However well intentioned the applicants may be, and despite their attempts to solicit favourable opinion from the local community, I believe this license, if granted, would only add to the litany of misbehaviours in Spitalfields.

I urge you to refuse this license and urge the applicants to seek other areas to run their business.

Yours

Paul Shearer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 45

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Katherine Aspinall <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 19:37  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Objection to the licensing of 82A Commercial Street "The Looove"

Dear Moshin,

I am re-submitting my objections to the re-licensing of 82a Commercial Street - the premises known as the "The Looove" and formerly "Public Life", which I understand remains under the same ownership.

I oppose its re-licensing, especially the regaining of the alcohol licence because of the premises's longstanding association with drug taking and selling - a problem that still persists in the area - as well as late night drinking in this location contributing to noise and antisocial behaviour.

I would like the re-licensing to be refused especially because it lies within the LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone for alcohol saturation, which recognises the negative impact on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area.

Please do not make my name and details public.

Also, on 21 Dec 2014 I was emailed Mike Nickson ([mike.nickson@innconfidence.co.uk](mailto:mike.nickson@innconfidence.co.uk)) on behalf of Joseph Debono of DRS Caterers Ltd in regard to this licensing. I am not pleased that my details were given to him - since I expressly requested they not be shared, and would like any future contact with interested parties to come through the Licensing Committee.

Regards,  
Kate

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Dr Kate Aspinall  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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# Appendix 46

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Chris Dyson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 09:12  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; charlesgledhill@btconnect.com  
**Subject:** RPremises licence at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (formerly Public Life)

Dear Sir/Madam,

My wife and I OBJECT to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

These proposals will have a detrimental impact to the front of Christchurch and to those who live and work nearby

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning fire risk is inevitable and danger from overcrowding a constant likelihood. It has no soundproofing so will cause noise breakout from below ground and direct noise from above ground, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants are not including live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises.

The application proposes using the underground space as a bar.

It is difficult to ensure the licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street, as was definitively proved.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status.

This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

The premises has a long standing association with drug selling and using. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons hoping for a return to its former incarnation. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

We therefore wish to OBJECT to the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,  
**Chris & Sarah DYSON**

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 47

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Lucinda de Jasay [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 09:40  
**To:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Cc:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** Public Life - "The Looove" - 82A Commercial Street

Dear Sir

I am writing to object to the re application of a license for Public Life 82A Commercial Street.

This is a long running saga of cynical re applications by the owners to try and wear down objectors in order to increase their chances of success. The reasons for the objections to this case have not gone away as Public Life has a history of trouble associated with it since it began and nothing is going to change. The underground nightclub was a source of trouble while it ran for the neighbourhood, particularly for the sale of drugs, which I believe the local Police can verify, and so I therefore continue to object to this application on the grounds of crime and disorder and public nuisance.

I hope the council will take heed of our objections once and for all and that this will be an end to it. Lastly the building is in the councils' saturation zone for alcohol which should be respected.

Yours faithfully

Lucinda Douglas-Menzies  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 48



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Alan Williams [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 09:53  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street  
**Attachments:** objection letter.82a Commercial Street.pdf

Alan Williams



12th January, 2015

To:

[mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

[Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk)

Dear Sir/s

**The Loove**

I write to add my objection, to the many you will already have received, to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY. I wrote to object last time that an application was made for this property.

Most of those of us living and working in Spitalfields wish to enhance our quality of living, and improve our sense of community. One of my worries relates to the detrimental effect of the night time economy in the area on our domestic and working lives.

The Cumulative Impact Zone policy, brought in by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, recognizes the negative impact on residential amenity of the dense concentration of licensed premises in our community. The premises at 82a Commercial Street are within the Zone and, for this reason alone, the application should be refused.

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises. The application proposes using the underground space as a bar. As was the case last time these premises were licensed, it is difficult to ensure that licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street,.

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning risk of injury, and worse, from fire is inevitably increased; and the danger from overcrowding is a constant, and inescapable, problem. The venue has no soundproofing, so the noise 'breakout' from below ground and direct noise from above ground, will inevitably create nuisance for surrounding residents.

The applicants have not included live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated that music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200. This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is an historical asset to the Borough with its Grade 1 status. This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and the surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

This venue has a long-standing association with drug selling and use. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons looking for drugs. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

The combination of alcohol and potential drug use can only bring additional problems to a neighbourhood already blighted by this abuse, and the appalling behaviour that comes with it. This is a residential neighbourhood and a conservation area.

In summary, my objections are: that the prevention of crime and disorder will be more difficult if these premises are licensed; the same concern applies to the prevention of public nuisance.

Licensed premises at this site will, in my view, contribute to public disorder; and given that this is a residential neighbourhood, who is going to protect local children from harm?

Please refuse the application.

Yours faithfully

**Alan Williams**

# Appendix 49

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 10:26  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Public Life - "The Loove" - 82A Commercial Street

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**From:** Jane Curtis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 23:55  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Public Life - "The Loove" - 82A Commercial Street

Dear Licensing Committee,

I strongly oppose the licence application for provision of alcohol and takeaway food which has been submitted to Tower Hamlets for 82A Commercial Street. I am opposing the application on the grounds that granting the application will inevitably lead to an increase in anti social behaviour in the local area. The reasons for this increase in anti social behaviour are:

That it is impossible for the managers of the premises to control what their customers do when they leave the premises

The premises have been known for the drug-taking and selling and whilst there may be an intention to control drugs within the premises this is not possible in the immediate area and streets around the premises

The premises has a reputation for anti social behaviour and will attract the same type of customer as previously

The premises itself is totally unsuitable because of its location, fire risk and proximity to family homes

The premises are within the Borough's Cumulative Impact Zone for alcohol saturation. This saturation policy recognises the negative impact of such premises on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. The zone's saturation policy should be respected.

Also

Take away food presents problems to residents through litter, people sitting on doorsteps eating and food smells and a general lack of respect for the residential community.

For all those reasons I ask the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Curtis  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 50

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 10:27  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: OBJECTION - 82a Commercial Street, London E1

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**From:** Jenny Black [<mailto:> ]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 09:30  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** OBJECTION - 82a Commercial Street, London E1

Dear Licensing Department,

Given the history with enduring and recent history with 82a Commercial Street and the fact that it continues to take a great deal of effort by residents, police and community groups to stave off anti-social behaviour in the immediate area - I strongly object to the proposal of a licence being granted to this applicant and to these premises.

As residents, we endured years of misery and we have a different perspective on what Spitalfields is to those to travel here to party, take drugs, shout and vomit.

There are already more than enough licensed premises within the immediate area and to assign another one - with a history of dysfunction - will inevitably attract more people with the intention of partying.

In addition, I question the suitability of the physical premises at 82a Commercial Street for such a licensed establishment of this calibre. There is no sound proofing, it is difficult for the licensing team to gauge what is actually taking place, there is a startling absence of escape in case of fire and it has a long history of drugs. All this in front of one of London's most important Grade I listed churches.

Please support the local residents and anyone else who wishes to keep Spitalfields special, rather than turning it into a playground for those seeking a late night party and a take away. The impact is revolting and truly miserable and lines the pockets of the patron whilst greatly diminishing the quality of life for a great number of people.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Black



# Appendix 51



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Tim Lowe <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 10:39  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Public Life "The Looove" 82 A Commercial Street

“Dear Licensing Committee,

Following the hearing on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December we are resubmitting our letter expressing our strong opposition to the licence application for provision of alcohol and takeaway food which has been submitted to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for the premises known as Public Life at 82A Commercial Street.

Despite a local “charm offensive” by the applicants (who have sent e-mails to all objectors and also put letters through local letterboxes) saying that their objectives are totally unobjectionable, we believe that the premises remain essentially in the hands of the previous owner and manager and that the grounds for objection expressed below remain valid. Also, the applicants must have incurred considerable expense already, especially since it has become necessary to hold a new hearing because of their solicitor’s objection to the extension of the consultation period, and they will need to recoup this outlay with significant profits. We believe that their stated plans are unlikely to achieve sufficient profitability and that, were a licence to be granted, the premises would soon revert to their former objectionable state.

As “Public Life”, the underground nightclub was a major source of anti-social behaviour and nuisance in our community. The premises eventually had their licence revoked in January 2012 following numerous complaints from local residents and groups, and a police raid in the course of which 11 people were arrested for drugs-related and other offences.

It is our view that revocation of the licence and closure of the premises created a safer, less intimidating, more pleasant neighbourhood.

Our grounds for opposing the application are:

the anti-social behaviour in the area associated with alcohol sales and late night drinking has repeatedly been recorded and you will be well-aware of it - noise, vomiting and urination on or around households’ front doorsteps. These premises abut a residential area and children will be affected;

the premises have a longstanding association with drug-taking and selling; drugs are a problem that continues to blight the local community;

we believe that the previous owner and manager, who have shown themselves to be unfit to hold an alcohol licence, remain involved;

and the premises are within the Borough’s Cumulative Impact Zone for alcohol saturation. This saturation policy recognises the negative impact of such premises on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. The zone’s saturation policy should be respected.

For all those reasons we urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

TR Lowe and SM Godson  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 52

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Oliver Leigh-Wood <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 11:12  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** RE: The Loove, 82a Commercial St E1 6LY

Further to my objection I would point out I live in west London [REDACTED] but have for nerly 50 years worked in and around Spitalfields and have witnessed first hand the remarkable transformation that has taken place. This includes the revival of the school, the church and even perhaps more important as a place to live. As such it is quite unsuitable to be selling alcohol form this premises. If you need a drink there are plenty of other places  
Oliver leigh-wood

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**From:** Oliver Leigh-Wood [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 11:05  
**To:** [mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk)  
**Cc:** [alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:alan.d.cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk)  
**Subject:** The Loove, 82a Commercial St E1 6LY

Date: Tuesday, 13th Jan 2015

Dear Sir,

I am writing to object to the proposed licensing application for 82a Commercial St.

The premises are wholly unsuitable as a licensed premises.  
There is a long history of anti-social behaviour and drunkenness  
I urge you to turn this application down.

Yours Sincerely

Oliver Leigh-Wood

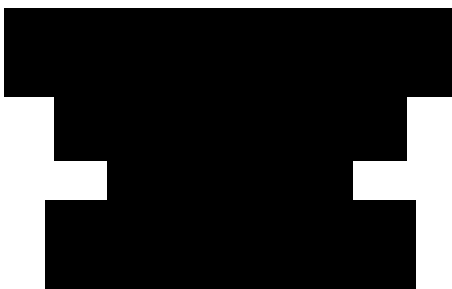
# Appendix 53

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Lyn Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 11:13  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street  
**Attachments:** Lyn's objection letter.pdf

Lyn Williams  
[REDACTED]



13th January, 2015

To:

[mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk)

[Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk)

Dear Sir/s

**The Loove**

I write to add my strong objection to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Most of those of us living and working in Spitalfields wish to enhance our quality of living, and improve our sense of community. There, with past and well-documented experience, will be a detrimental effect on our domestic and working lives if this application is approved.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for a licensed bar. Christ Church is an historical asset to the Borough with its Grade 1 status. This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and the surrounding area as they consume takeaway food and alcohol purchased from the premises.

This is a residential neighbourhood and a conservation area. If the application is granted there will be, **on past experience**, an increase in crime and disorder and the instances of public nuisance and disgusting behaviour will increase.

And licensed premises at this site will not only contribute to public disorder; given that this is a residential neighbourhood, there will be materially increased chance of harm to our local children.

Please refuse the application.

Yours faithfully

**Lyn Williams (Mrs)**

# Appendix 54

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Charles Gledhill [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 13:45  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial St E1 Licence Application OBJECTION

I am writing to OBJECT to the granting of a licence at the above address.

1. I fully support the council's implementation of a Cumulative Impact Zone and would oppose the introduction of further licensed premises within it.
2. The onus is on any new applicants to demonstrate that new premises will not add to cumulative impact. In their very vague and changeable plans for the site, they have clearly failed to do this.
3. This small cramped site is unsuitable for the consumption of alcohol. The underground premises are so unappealing that clients will inevitably congregate on the area above, causing noise and disturbance in front of the church and adjacent to Christ Church nursery.
4. The area has benefited enormously from the closure of the Public Life club on this site. It is hugely quieter and safer, and we fear that any reintroduction of alcohol will inevitably attract the sort of antisocial behaviour that previously blighted the lives of local residents.
5. In the meantime, the existing use of the site causes no problems, the street remains quiet and local residents are undisturbed.

Charles Gledhill

[REDACTED]



# Appendix 55

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Alex Lisowski  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 14:05  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: OBJECTION to licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (PUBLIC LIFE)

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**From:** Fuest Carolyn [<mailto:> ]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 13:45  
**To:** Alex Lisowski; [Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk); Licensing  
**Cc:** Mark Hutton; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** OBJECTION to licence application at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (PUBLIC LIFE)

Dear Sirs

I am writing to lodge an OBJECTION to the current license application submitted by Public Life.

There are many reasons for objecting to this application:

. previously, the bar caused considerable **nuisance and distress to our neighbours and to members of the congregation (which includes children and elderly people)** at Christ Church Spitalfields. These are well documented and the premises was closed down. The resulted in an immediate improvement to the area creating a safer, cleaner, less intimidating neighbourhood. A successful drugs raid by the police resulted in the owner being one of the 11 people arrested. This area is largely residential comprising many families with small children who will be affected by the reintroduction of a license on these premises.

. 3 gazebos at street level are mentioned in this license application. As this is not a planning application, no drawings have been submitted. A haphazard temporary arrangement has already started to exist on this site and the noise and visual clutter in front of Christ Church is a considerable nuisance and eyesore. It should not be allowed to become a permanent fixture. **It is unlikely that these gazebos will be a fitting enhancement** to the front of Christ Church Spitalfields - the second most important building in Tower Hamlets after the Tower of London, one of the borough's main tourist attractions and a Grade 1 building of international importance.

. In such a confined space with only one entrance/exit and being underground means that safety is compromised and although it is claimed otherwise we would question the viability of policing overcrowding or illegal behaviour. This premise has a well established reputation for drug taking and selling; drugs, and its consequent illegal behaviour, continues to be a problem in this area.

. Although the new plans include no off food or off drinks sales, it is unlikely that these will viable and so may more easily revert to off food sales - causing nuisance, smell, litter and anti social behaviour.

. The site is **within the borough's saturation zone. This saturation policy recognises the negative impact of such premises on the quality of lives of those living and working with the area.** We are **objecting** on these grounds as well.

Please kindly **REJECT** any relicensing for this premises.

Yours sincerely

Carolyn Fuest  
Director

Carolyn Fuest, Director  
The Friends of Christ Church Spitalfields

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# Appendix 56

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 15:23  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82 a Commercial Street

82A Commercial Street

Application for alcoholic beverage sales

Dear Sirs;

I wish to object to the application for alcoholic sales at the above address.

The landlords have a poor record of controlling their tenants.

The previous club caused substantial nuisance to the adjoining neighbours and passersby and illegal activities were allowed by the landlord to flourish, partly, I suspect to generate some sort of profits so to pay a rent which is extremely high for such a small premises.

This experience has galvanized local inhabitants and the statutory authorities to control this kind of behavior through the establishment of the Brick Lane Cumulative Impact Zone, and I would not like the reinstatement of a license to this premises to cut away at the restraints this Impact zone enforces.

If there are to be new licensed premises, although this area could be considered to be saturated, they should be limited to areas where there is also effective landlord control.

Sincerely

James Howett  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 57

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Marianna Kennedy [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 15:55  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk;  
Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Street

82A Commercial Street

Application for Alcoholic Beveridge sales

Dear Sirs;

As a local resident of 13 years at my current address and of more than twenty years residence in this general locality, I wish to object to the application for alcoholic sales at the above address.

The effect of the previous licensed premises, the loud music, the defecating against the church gates, the drunken fights, with a clientele unlike any other local clientele, possibly attracted by illegal activities causes me to fear any new license for this particular premises, due to, in the first instance, the current landlord's reluctance to control their tenants, possibly for profit motives.

The position of the current premises, with substantial below ground activity, and not a great deal of passing footfall likely encourages a marginal, and lawless tending clientele, as most activity is out of sight.

The current landlords, as sponsors of the previous nuisance causing Public life, seemed also to encourage bad behavior.

If there are to be new licensed premises, although the establishment of the Brick Lane Cumulative Impact zone indicates that a saturation of licensed premises

has been reached in this area, both the license applicants and the landlord owners must face greater scrutiny.

I don't think the position of this premises and my experience of the behavior of the current landlords, can foster confidence in the good and proper running of a licensed premises in this position.

Sincerely

Marianna Kennedy

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



# Appendix 58

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Natasha Jarman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 17:22  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection re License Application at 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY

**Importance:** High

Dear Mohshin Ali and LBTH Licensing,

I am writing to object regarding the above application for a licence at 82a Commercial Street, also known as 'Public Life'.

I feel that this application is extremely inappropriate for the area as the community already endures a lot of drinking activity that spills onto the streets and the granting of a licence in this instance would only encourage more of the same. It is also inappropriate outside of a Grade I listed church and is really not very nice for any funerals, weddings and other services taking place.

The granting of this licence would continue to encourage the drug taking and selling in the Spitalfields area and indeed the premises has had a longstanding association with this major problem, which clearly affects the general community.

Before, when Public Life was in action you could hear the noise throughout the night echoing around Spitalfields. It wasn't cool.

Since the bar has been closed the surrounding environment has been very much improved with less noise disruption and anti social behaviour. I fear that if a new licence were granted this would have completely the opposite effect.

Yours faithfully,

Tracey Emin CBE, RA

[REDACTED]

Natasha Jarman  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

# Appendix 59

**From:** david donoghue <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 17:21  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Licensing OBJECTION 82a Commercial Street

I am writing to OBJECT to the licensing application in regard to 82a Commercial Street.

The main reasons are:

- The premises are currently without a licence. A new licence would therefore break the purpose and spirit of the Brick Lane Cumulative Impact Zone; another licensed premises can only add to the negative impact of saturation and the various anti-social behaviour problems of the area.
- There has been no change of ownership of the premises despite the history under the current owner of drug dealing, drug usage, drug overdoses, arrests, binge drinking and anti-social behaviour in and outside of the premises
- There is no proper noise attenuation of the premises thus neighbours can expect to be disturbed by ANY music played on site
- The current proposals lack any clear commercial viability, which will mean the licensed premises will get back into the hands of the property owner who has demonstrably allowed criminal activities in the past over an extended period
- The site is unsuitable as a licensed premises, being underground, with one entry/exit, no soundproofing, and next to Grade 1 listed faith building Christ Church, a public park used by families with small children, a nursery school and primary school

- The premises represent an eyesore with an appalling construction outside the Grade 1 listed Church. Moreover use as a drinking den will interfere with the services and funerals that are held at the church
- The current application stipulates fewer, and less stringent, conditions than were in place when the premises operated as Public Life regarding CCTV, door staff, dispersal policy etc. during a period of MASSIVE anti-social and criminal behaviour on- and off- site
- the current proposals lack any adequate food offering or catering facility due to size, increasing the likelihood of the licensing objectives not being upheld and of going bust. No evidence as to viability has been offered.

Yours faithfully,

DAVID DONOGHUE

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

# Appendix 60

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 18:37  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: 82a Commercial Stret

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**From:** Claire [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 17:18  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial Stret

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Sirs

I am writing to object to the licence application for 82a Commercial Street.

My reasons are:

1. As a relatively small underground space with a single point of entry/exit, the premises is not suitable for use as a bar selling alcohol and playing music.
2. The premises are situated in the front of Christ Church Spitalfields and very close to a busy road. Although the premises are below ground it is inevitable that customers will gather outside. The applicant will argue that drinking and behaviour outside will be controlled. I am not satisfied that, in practice, the applicant will be able to achieve this.
3. In my opinion, the number of licensed premises in the area has reached saturation.
4. The history of the way in which these premises have used as a bar demonstrates the dangers involved in allowing it to be used as licenced premises. The applicant has written to local residents to seek to allay concerns. This letter did not satisfy me. There are two principal reasons:
  - First, I was surprised to see that a business principally involved in outside commercial catering wishes to establish a ban in Spitalfields. This causes me to question the statement made by the applicant that there is no business relationship with the former operation of the premises as a bar.
  - Secondly, the applicant states that the premises will be used as a pleasant place for people to drink and listen to music, the inference being that the target market will not be younger people wishing a more lively environment with higher alcohol consumption. Over the years, I have observed many restaurant and bar businesses open and close in Spitalfields, I am assuming the applicant's business will be paying significant rent to the owner of the long leasehold over the premises. Notwithstanding the statements made by the applicant in good faith as to the proposed use premises, I do not consider that the applicants business plan is sustainable and that, to support the rent and other expenses, it will be necessary over time to change the offering and attract a greater proportion of younger people for whom drinking, loud music and drug taking are an attraction.

I have lived in Spitalfields since 1998 and remain there because of the area's mixed use, its vibrancy and the choice of restaurants and bars. I am a great supporter of the entertainment economy in Spitalfields and it has been a pleasure to see so many bars and restaurants thrive in a way which enhances the complex area where business, entertainment, tourism and residential use all co-exist.

As I always say when objecting to applications for alcohol licences, it is a matter of balance. Granting a licence for 82a Commercial Street upsets this balance.

Ben Ward

[REDACTED]

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# Appendix 61

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** fay cattini [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 19:28  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Public Life - "The Looove" - 82A Commercial Street

Dear Sir

I understand today is the final date for objections to the above application.

I remain concerned about any license being given to the above premises in view of past experiences with anti-social behaviour. The premises being small and underground, it was always inevitable that there would be crowds of people spilling out on to the pavement and into the church gardens. We also had a lot of problems with temporary events which always seemed to happen with very little notice to residents.

I am not convinced that they have proper facilities below ground either. A few months ago a man came into the church wanting to use our water supply. We refused as we already have a coffee stall in the church forecourt and also builders working on site.

I do hope the Council will refuse this licence application.

Fay Cattini  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 62

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 19:53  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Objection: 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY

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**From:** Christine Whaite [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 19:39  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Objection: 82a Commercial Street, E1 6LY

Dear Sir or Madam

I object to licensing at 82a Commercial St, E1 6LY. This site has already shown that it is unsuited for licensing, and:

1. the venue is invisible from the street, being underground, and so it is difficult to police licensing protocols;
2. there is only one point of entry and exit so the venue is a fire risk, and overcrowding is likely;
3. the venue is not soundproofed and there will be noise from it as well as from above ground;
4. it would cause considerable nuisance (crowd noise and loud music) for nearby residents;
5. the venue is at the front of Christ Church, a nationally and internationally significant building, and a church. The proposal is therefore obviously inappropriate;
6. the venue has been notorious for drug use and selling, and would likely attract this reputation again. The drug problem locally should not be encouraged by yet another such venue.

Thank you.

C Whaite  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 63

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Chris Dyson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 12:45  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk; charlesgledhill@btconnect.com  
**Subject:** premises licence at 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY (formerly Public Life)

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Sir/Madam,

Chris Dyson architects llp OBJECTS to the licensing application submitted for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Chris Dyson architects llp is a local practise and was founded in 2004 by Chris Dyson who has lived with his family in the neighbourhood for 25 years

These proposals will have a detrimental impact to the front of Christchurch and to those who live and work nearby

82a Commercial Street has luridly demonstrated in the past its total unsuitability as a licensed premises.

The application proposes using the underground space as a bar.

It is difficult to ensure the licensing objectives are being met when a venue is invisible from the street, as was definitively proved.

The venue has only one point of entry and exit, meaning fire risk is inevitable and danger from overcrowding a constant likelihood. It has no soundproofing so will cause noise breakout from below ground and direct noise from above ground, creating nuisance for surrounding residents. The applicants are not including live and/or recorded music in their application, but have stated music will be a part of their proposed offering before 2200.

This music will contribute to the nuisance.

82a Commercial Street is sited on the pavement in front of Christ Church, making it an inappropriate location for the consumption of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status.

This status should not be tarnished by patrons loitering on the steps and surrounding area as they consume takeaway food purchased from the premises.

The premises has a long standing association with drug selling and using. This notoriety will inevitably attract patrons hoping for a return to its former incarnation. The local area is already blighted by drug dealing and buying, with the ASB and intimidation that such activity brings to an area. This is a problem which needs no further encouragement in our community.

We therefore wish to OBJECT to the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street E1 6LY.

Yours sincerely,

CHRIS DYSON ARCHITECT

RIAS, RIBA, FRSA

Principal Partner For and on behalf of

# CHRIS DYSON ARCHITECTS LLP

I am cycling to Mipim in march 2015 for CORAM Charity do sponsor me it is a gruelling 1500km!

Through this link: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ChrisDyson>

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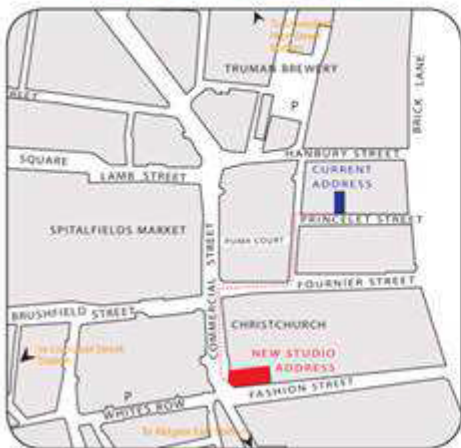


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# Appendix 64



## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Tarik Khan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 13:40  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** OBJECTION TO LICENSING APPLICATION 82A COMMERCIAL STREET E1 6LY

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

I would like to object to the above license, I have lived in the area for over 30 years and believe the grant of this license will be against all the community spirit and Values.

The current proposals will put ownership of the premises back in the hands of the people who had their license revoked. This is unacceptable.

The premises is unsuitable for use, as it is underground with only one exit and entry,

The premises is next to a residential street, which has faced many issues when the place was open previously, it is also next to a church, and a primary school.

Please put my objection on record

Tarik Khan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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# Appendix 65

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Martin Hughes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 15:42  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Cc:** Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Objection to the Licensing Application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Mr Ali,

I am writing to object to the licensing application for 82a Commercial Street.

The venue is totally unsuitable for a late night venue with only one point of entry and exit. It has very little soundproofing and so will be a disturbance to the flats facing in the old Horner building

Its location, on the pavement in front of Christ Church makes it an inappropriate location for the sale of takeaway food. Christ Church is a historical asset to the borough with its Grade 1 status and deserves better!

The premises has a long standing association with drugs and once open again this will continue. We are already swamped by drunks of a weekend and are left to clean up urine plus worse on more times that I can recount from our front doors.

Enough is enough.

Regards

Martin Hughes  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 66

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Mohshin Ali on behalf of Licensing  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 16:44  
**To:** Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** FW: Licensing Application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street, E1 ..... The Premises previously known as "Public Life"

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**From:** Ann Shapiro [<mailto:> [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 15:47  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** [mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:mohshin.ali@towerhamlets.gov.uk)  
**Subject:** Licensing Application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street, E1 ..... The Premises previously known as "Public Life"

Dear Sir or Madam,

I believe this Licensing Application for "The Looove", the premises at 82a Commercial Street, E1 (the premises previously known as "Public Life") has been resubmitted.

Please may I ask most strongly that this Licence Application should be wholly refused on the grounds of:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance.

The premises at 82a Commercial Street is within the Brick Lane Area (CIZ) and yet another licensed premises would inevitably add to the Cumulative Impact. Hence the grant of a Licence would be in contravention of the LBTH Licensing Policy for the CIZ.

The premises at 82a Commercial Street are unsuitable as a licensed premises, being underground with only a single access point for entry and exit. They are also immediately in front of Christ Church, Spitalfields, of which I am a member, next door to the public gardens beside the church and close to the nursery school: all three of these places, as well as the young and old who use them, could be very adversely affected

The track record of the previous Licensee was appalling – a notorious drugs den (as indeed it was for many years until raided by 50 police in November 2012) – and the very nature (and unsuitability for normal commercial use) of the premises would once again make it a potential magnet for drug use if licensed.

You are doubtless aware that the Fournier Street area is still plagued by drug dealing, and the premises at 82a Commercial Street if licensed would undoubtedly add to this current and on-going problem.

- 1) For these reasons I ask **most strongly** that this Licensing Application should be **wholly rejected**,

Yours sincerely,

Ann Shapiro.

Resident at:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

# Appendix 67

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Anthony de Jasay [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 17:54  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** 82a Commercial st

Dear Sir

I write to object to the proposed use of the Public Convenience outside Christ Church, as a drinking establishment.

Firstly: there are more than enough drinking establishments in the area. Its designation as a Cumulative Impact Zone really must be taken more seriously. The designation is not an 'early warning'. It is only made once the situation is critical. It is irresponsible of Councillors and Officers to go on approving licenses until the inevitable rapid deterioration in amenity happens, only then to say 'Oops, we should have done something positive, earlier'.

Secondly: insufficient imagination has been shown by the Council to re-use this former Public Convenience as a good quality, general Public Facility for visitors to the area, where a range of supportive services going well beyond the original toilets could be provided. Adding value to a neighbourhood is a proper role for Local Government, and should not be blighted by short-termism and passive opportunism in the face of a still-incoming tide of professional landlords wishing to take advantage of the unique environmental attractions of Spitalfields.

Yours Faithfully

Mr and Mrs A de Jasay

[REDACTED]



# Appendix 68

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Fiona Atkins [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2015 23:05  
**To:** Mohshin Ali; Alan.D.Cruickshank@met.pnn.police.uk  
**Subject:** Objection to Licence Application for 82a Commercial Street

Dear Licensing Committee,

### **Licence Application for 82a Commercial Street**

I wish to notify you of my objection to the current application for a licence for the premises at 82a Commercial Street for the following reasons:-

- It is within the cumulative impact zone and any additional premises will inevitably add to the effect on the neighbourhood
- The physically restricted nature of the premises has always resulted in patrons spilling out onto the pavement above ground, with the potential for anti-social behaviour immediately outside a church and in the immediate vicinity of a nursery school. Even if they do not have a drink in their hands many will have been consuming alcohol and I have in the past seen patrons of the previous licensed premises at this address screaming abuse through the railings at guests at a wedding in the church. This is not a suitable location for licensed premises.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Atkins

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# Appendix 69

## Mohshin Ali

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**From:** Spitalfields Community Group <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 13 January 2015 12:52  
**To:** Licensing; Mohshin Ali  
**Subject:** licence application at 82a Commercial St  
**Attachments:** Petition - 13Jan2015.pdf

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a petition against the licence application at 82a Commercial St, E1. All of the respondents live or work in the vicinity of the premises. There are 59 names on the petition.

I would be grateful if you could treat this as a representation against the licence application.

Many thanks for your help,

Selina Mifsud  
for and on behalf of the Spitalfield Community Group  
[REDACTED]

# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

Petition summary and background information	<p>The leasehold remains in the hands of the previous owner who operated the premises as "Public Life". These premises were a major source of alcohol-fueled ASB, drugs dealing and disorder in the community, over several years, and had their licence revoked in January 2012 following a successful police raid. The leaseholder was one of the 11 people arrested at the time of this raid. Closure created a safer, less intimidating neighbourhood.</p> <p>We feel the licence application by "The Loove" should be rejected because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the underground space means it is difficult to ensure that licensing objectives are being met</li> <li>• the single entry/exit increases fire risk</li> <li>• the lack of sound-proofing means that noise nuisance is unavoidable</li> <li>• the location in front of Christ Church makes it an unsuitable location for drunk and disorderly behaviour from patrons occupying the outside space</li> <li>• the premises have a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem that continues to blight the area</li> </ul> <p>The premises lie within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. This policy recognises the negative impact on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. In accordance with this policy the application should be refused.</p> <p>We, the undersigned, OBJECT to the licence application by "The Loove" at 82a Commercial Street for the reasons cited above and urge the Licensing Sub Committee of LBTH to reject it.</p>
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Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
T. Whitaker	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1	8 July 14
B. Fox	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1	12 Jan 15
M.T. KENNEDY	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1	12 JAN 15.
S. Howett	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1	13 Jan 15

# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
Marenka Gabeler	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		9 Jan '15
Dan Grudskowski	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		10/1/15
Davis Harwood	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		10/1/15
BASIL COMEY	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		11/1/15
MARTIN LAWE	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	LET every one knowd The shuld have carpites the area yearage! 11/1/15.	11/1/15
KEVIN GUNN	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		11/1/2015
Miko Towler	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		11/1/2015
Lisanne	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		12-1-15
Jenny Buck	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	PLEASE HELP US TO AVOID FUTURE MISERY	12.1.15
J. Adams	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		12 JAN 2015
D. BLACK	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		12/1/15
C. WHITE	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		12/1/15
A. BAKER	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	NOT LIKE PUBLIC LIFE	12/1/15

# Petition to **OBJECT** to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

<p>Petition summary and background information</p>	<p>The leasehold remains in the hands of the previous owner who operated the premises as "Public Life". These premises were a major source of alcohol-fueled ASB, drugs dealing and disorder in the community, over several years, and had their licence revoked in January 2012 following a successful police raid. The leaseholder was one of the 11 people arrested at the time of this raid. Closure created a safer, less intimidating neighbourhood.</p> <p>We feel the licence application by "The Looove" should be rejected because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the underground space means it is difficult to ensure that licensing objectives are being met</li> <li>• the single entry/exit increases fire risk</li> <li>• the lack of sound-proofing means that noise nuisance is unavoidable</li> <li>• the location in front of Christ Church makes it an unsuitable location for drunk and disorderly behaviour from patrons occupying the outside space</li> <li>• the premises have a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem that continues to blight the area</li> </ul> <p>The premises lie within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. This policy recognises the negative impact on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. In accordance with this policy the application should be refused.</p> <p>We, the undersigned, OBJECT to the licence application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street for the reasons cited above and urge the Licensing Sub Committee of LBTH to reject it.</p>		
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Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
E. ROWE	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E [Redacted]	3/1/15
R. ARREHER	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	R.E. [Redacted]	3/1/15
J. CURTIS	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	R [Redacted]	3/1/15
D. RASMAN	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E [Redacted]	[Redacted]
Clare Gunn Anthony Gunn	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	3/1/15

# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

Name	Signature	Address		Comment	Date
Lorna	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E16 [Redacted]	Too many noise + too much of more people after hrs.	3/1/15
Rachel	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E7 GQE St [Redacted]	Too much noise	4/1/15
George	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]		4/1/15
Lucy Frost	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]		4.1.15
Paul Fiddler	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	" " " "		4.1.15
Arthur Frost	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		" "	" "
Paul Shephard	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]	A wholly inappropriate venue	25/01/12
M. BURGESS	[Redacted]	[Redacted]			5/1/15
JULIA STEEMAN	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]	Please protect us from this extreme disruption	5/1/15.
Greg Crisps	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]		5/1/15
Trumpet Mark	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]		
BEN WARD	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1 [Redacted]		5/1/15



# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
Claire Johnson	[Redacted]	[Redacted] St.	NO THANK 7000.	4/1/15.
N.A. M. basic	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	"	"
Vikki Piper	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		4/1/15
Matt Piper	[Redacted]	[Redacted]		4/1/15
Frank Pickett	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1		6/1/15
Jon SHARRD	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1		6.1.15.
ANNEGA GOSATTU	[Redacted]	[Redacted] S1		6.1.15.
ROBEL MIFSD	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1		6.1.15
ST MIFJUD	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1		
DANIO GHOV	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1		6.1.15.
Donna BULLARD	[Redacted]	[Redacted] 11		6/1/15

# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

<p>Petition summary and background information</p>	<p>The leasehold remains in the hands of the previous owner who operated the premises as "Public Life". These premises were a major source of alcohol-fueled ASB, drugs dealing and disorder in the community, over several years, and had their licence revoked in January 2012 following a successful police raid. The leaseholder was one of the 11 people arrested at the time of this raid. Closure created a safer, less intimidating neighbourhood.</p> <p>We feel the licence application by "The Looove" should be rejected because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the underground space means it is difficult to ensure that licensing objectives are being met</li> <li>• the single entry/exit increases fire risk</li> <li>• the lack of sound-proofing means that noise nuisance is unavoidable</li> <li>• the location in front of Christ Church makes it an unsuitable location for drunk and disorderly behaviour from patrons occupying the outside space</li> <li>• the premises have a longstanding association with drug taking and selling, a problem that continues to blight the area</li> </ul> <p>The premises lie within LBTH's Cumulative Impact Zone. This policy recognises the negative impact on the quality of lives of those living and working within the designated area. In accordance with this policy the application should be refused.</p> <p>We, the undersigned, OBJECT to the licence application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street for the reasons cited above and urge the Licensing Sub Committee of LBTH to reject it.</p>		
<p>Action petitioned for</p>	<p>We, the undersigned, OBJECT to the licence application by "The Looove" at 82a Commercial Street for the reasons cited above and urge the Licensing Sub Committee of LBTH to reject it.</p>		

Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
Carol Ride			Street	11 Jan 15.
J. Murphy			STREET	11/1/15
B. Allen			Street	11/1/15
Susan Critchley			Street	11/1/15

# Petition to OBJECT to licence application for 82a Commercial St, E1

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H. MANANAN		Street E		12.1.15
P. MALKIN		Street E1.		12-1-15
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PETE GARRETT		St,		12/1/15

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Juliet McKee	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	E1, [Redacted]	
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C. MIFSON	[Redacted]	[Redacted] E1	PLEASE AVOID ASB'S IN THE COMMUNITY	12/11/15

# Appendix 70

## Noise while the Premise is in Use

### General Advice

If they conclude this is a problem Members should consider whether it is possible to carry out suitable and proportionate noise control measures so that noise leakage is prevented. In addition Members may consider that only certain activities are suitable.

The hours of operation also need to be considered (see below).

If Members believe that there is a substantial problem of noise while the premises are in use and it cannot be proportionately address by licensing conditions they should refuse the application.

### Licensing Policy

The policy recognises that noise nuisance can be an issue, especially if a premises is open late at night. (**See Sections 10 of the Licensing Policy**).

The policy also recognises that staggered closing can help prevent problems at closure time (**See Section 15.1**).

However, while all applications will be considered on their merits, consideration will be given to imposing stricter conditions in respect of noise control where premises are situated close to local residents. (**See Section 15.5**).

The Licensing Authority expects the applicant to have addressed all nuisance issues relating to the premises in their operating schedule and to have sought appropriate advice from the Council's Environmental Health Officers. (**See Sections 10.2 of the Licensing Policy**).

The Licensing Authority will consider attaching conditions to prevent nuisance and these may include Conditions drawn from the Model Poll of Conditions relating to Public Nuisance. (**See Annex G of the Licensing Policy**). In particular Members may wish to consider (this list is not exhaustive):

- hours of opening (this needs to be balanced against potential disorder caused by artificially early closing times)
- Whether certain parts should close earlier than the rest (for example a "beer garden", or restricted in their use)
- Whether or not certain activities should have to close at an early hour, for example live music
- Conditions controlling noise or vibration (for example, noise limiters, keeping doors and windows closed).

- Prominent clear and legible notices at all exits requesting the public to respect the needs of local residents and leave the premises and area quietly
- Conditions controlling the use of explosives, pyrotechnics and fireworks
- Conditions controlling the placing of refuse
- Conditions controlling noxious smells
- Conditions controlling lighting (this needs to be balanced against potential crime prevention benefits)

### Police Powers

Part 8 of the Licensing Act 2003 enables a senior police officer to close down a premises for up to 24hrs a premises causing a nuisance resulting from noise emanating from the premises.

### Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003

The prevention of public nuisance could include low-level nuisance, perhaps affecting a few people living locally as well as major disturbance affecting the whole community (2.19).

Licence conditions should not duplicate other legislation (1.16)

Any conditions should be tailored to the type, nature and characteristics of the specific premises. Licensing authorities should be aware of the need to avoid inappropriate or disproportionate measures that could deter events that are valuable to the community, such as live music. Noise limiters, for example, are very expensive to purchase and install and are likely to be a considerable burden for smaller venues. (2.20)

Necessary and appropriate conditions should normally focus on the most sensitive periods (2.22) and may address disturbance as customers enter or leave the premises but it is essential that conditions are focused on measures within the direct control of the licence holder.

### Other Legislation

The Environmental Protection Act 1990, Part 111 gives Environmental Health Officers the power to deal with statutory nuisances.

The Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003, Sections 40 and 41 give Environmental Health Officers the power of closure up to 24 hours in certain circumstances



# Appendix 71

## Access and Egress Problems

Such as:

Disturbance from patrons arriving/leaving the premises on foot

Disturbance from patrons arriving/leaving the premises by car

Lack of adequate car parking facilities

Close proximity to residential properties

### Comment

The above have been grouped together as egress problems. Of course the particular facts will be different for each alleged problem.

Egress only is referred to-if necessary access can be added or substituted in.

### General Advice

In considering concerns relating to disturbance from egress, Members need to be satisfied that the premises under consideration has been identified as the source of the actual or potential disturbance. If they are satisfied that this is a problem, then proportionate conditions should be considered.

The hours of operation also need to be considered.

If Members believe that there is a substantial problem concerning egress and it cannot be proportionately addressed by licensing conditions, they should refuse the application.

### Licensing Policy

The policy recognises that noise nuisance can be an issue, especially if a premises is open late at night. (**See Section 10 of the Licensing Policy**).

The Licensing Authority expects the applicant to have addressed all nuisance issues relating to the premises in their operating schedule and to have sought appropriate advice from the Council's Environmental Health Officers. (**See Section 10.2 of the Licensing Policy**).

The policy also recognises that staggered closing can help prevent problems at closure time (**See Section 15.1**).

However, while all applications will be considered on their merits, consideration will be given to imposing stricter conditions in respect of noise control where premises are situated close to local residents. (**See Section 15.5**)

The Council has adopted a set of framework hours (**See 15.8 of the licensing policy**). This relates to potential disturbance caused by late night trading.

The Licensing Authority will consider attaching conditions to prevent nuisance and these may include Conditions drawn from the Model Pool of Conditions relating to the prevention of Public Nuisance. (**See Annex G of the Licensing Policy**). In particular Members may wish to consider (this list is not exhaustive):

- hours of opening (this needs to be balanced against potential disorder caused by artificially early closing times)
- Whether certain parts should close earlier than the rest (for example a “beer garden”, or restricted in their use)
- Whether or not certain activities should have to close at an early hour, for example live music
- Conditions controlling noise or vibration (for example, noise limiters, keeping doors and windows closed).
- Prominent clear and legible notices at all exits requesting the public to respect the needs of local residents and leave the premises and area quietly

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Measures can include ensuring the safe departure of customers, these can include:

- Providing information on the premises of local taxi companies who can provide safe transportation home; and
- Ensuring adequate lighting outside the premises, particularly on paths leading to and from the premises and in car parks

Necessary and appropriate conditions should normally focus on the most sensitive periods (2.22) and may address disturbance as customers enter or leave the premises but it is essential that conditions are focused on measures within the direct control of the licence holder.

# Appendix 72

## Anti-Social Behaviour on the Premises

### Licensing Policy

The Licensing Authority expects the applicant to have addressed all crime and disorder issues relating to the premises in their operating schedule and to have sought appropriate advice. (**See Section 6 of the Licensing Policy**)

The Licensing Authority will consider attaching conditions to deter crime and disorder and these may include conditions drawn from the Model Poll of Conditions relating to Crime and Disorder. (**See Appendix 3 of the Licensing Policy**). In particular Members may wish to consider (this list is not exhaustive):

- Methods of management communication
- Use of registered Door Supervisors
- Bottle Bans
- Plastic containers
- CCTV
- Restrictions on open containers for “off sales”
- Restrictions on drinking areas
- Capacity
- Proof of Age scheme
- Crime prevention notices
- Drinks promotions-aimed at stopping irresponsible promotions
- Signage
- Seating plans
- Capacity

If Members believe that there is a substantial problem of anti-social behaviour and it cannot be proportionately addressed by licensing conditions they should refuse the application.

### Police Powers

The Licensing Act 2003, Part 8 gives a senior police officer the power to close a premises for up to 24 hours where the officer believes there is, or is likely to be disorder on or in the vicinity and closure is necessary in the interests of public safety.

### Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.

The pool of conditions, adopted by the council is recommended (Annexe D).

The key role of the police and SIA is acknowledged (2.1-2.2).

Conditions attached to licences cannot seek to manage the behaviour of customers once they are beyond the direct management of the licence holder and their staff or agents, but can directly impact on the behaviour of

customers in the immediate vicinity of the premises as they seek entry or leave (1.16).

Conditions are best targeted on deterrence and preventing crime and disorder (2.3) communication, CCTV, police liaison, no glasses, capacity limits are all relevant (2.3-2.7).

#### Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003

Conditions can be imposed for large capacity “vertical consumption” premises (10.22-10.23).

#### Guidance Issued by the Office of Fair Trading

This relates to attempts to control minimum prices

#### Other Legislation

The Council has a duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder.

# Appendix 73

## Anti-Social Behaviour from Patrons Leaving the Premises

### General Advice

Members need to bear in mind that once patrons have left a premises they are no longer under direct control. Members will need to be satisfied that there is a link between the way the premises is operating and the behaviour that is complained of. An example of this would be that irresponsible drinking is being encouraged. Before deciding that any particular licensing conditions are proportionate, Members will also need to be satisfied that other legislation is not a more effective route. For example, if the problem is drinking in the street it may be that the Council should designate the area as a place where alcohol cannot be consumed in public.

Members may also wish to consider whether the hours of opening relate to any problems of anti-social behaviour.

If Members believe that there is a substantial problem of anti-social behaviour and it cannot be proportionately addressed by licensing conditions they should refuse the application.

### Licensing Policy

The policy recognises that other legislation or measures may be more appropriate but also states that licensing laws are “a key aspect of such control and will always be part of an overall approach to the management of the evening and night time economy.” (**See Section 4.15 and 4.16 of the Licensing Policy**).

The Licensing Authority expects the applicant to have addressed all crime and disorder issues relating to the premises in their operating schedule and to have sought appropriate advice. (**See Sections 6.2 of the Licensing Policy**)

The Licensing Authority will consider attaching conditions to deter crime and disorder and these may include Conditions drawn from the Model Poll of Conditions relating to Crime and Disorder. (**See Appendix 3 of the Licensing Policy**). In particular Members may wish to consider (this list is not exhaustive):

- Bottle Bans
- Plastic containers
- CCTV (outside the premises)
- Restrictions on open containers for “off sales”
- Proof of Age scheme
- Crime prevention notices
- Drinks promotions-aimed at stopping irresponsible promotions
- Signage



## Cumulative Impact

There is a process by which the Licensing Authority can determine that an area is saturated following representations. However, the process for this involves wide consultation and cannot come from representations about a particular application. (**See Section 7 of the Licensing Policy**).

## Police Powers

The Licensing Act 2003, Part 8 gives a senior police officer the power to close a premises for up to 24 hours where the officer believes there is, or is likely to be disorder on or in the vicinity and closure is necessary in the interests of public.

## Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.

The pool of conditions, adopted by the council is recommended (13.14)

The key role of the police is acknowledged (2.2).

Conditions attached to licences cannot seek to manage the behaviour of customers once they are beyond the direct management of the licence holder, but can relate to the immediate vicinity of the premises as they seek entry or leave (1.16).

Conditions are best targeted on deterrence and preventing crime and disorder (2.3) CCTV inside & out, communication, police liaison, no glasses are all relevant

*There is also guidance issued around the heading of “public nuisance as follows*

The pool of conditions, adopted by the council is recommended (Annexe D).

Licence conditions should not duplicate other legislation (1.16).

Necessary and appropriate conditions should normally focus on the most sensitive periods and may address disturbance as customers enter or leave the premises but it is essential that conditions are focused on measures “within the direct control of the licence holder” (2.22/2.24).

## Other Legislation

### Crime and Disorder Act 1998

The Council has a duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder.

The Act also introduced a wide range of measures designed to address anti-social behaviour committed by adults and young people. These include:

- Anti-Social Behaviour Orders
- Child Curfew Schemes
- Truancy
- Parenting Orders
- Reparation Orders
- Tackling Racism

# Appendix 74

**Revised Guidance issued under section 182 of the  
Licensing Act 2003  
October 2014**

**Public safety**

- 1.1 Licence holders have a responsibility to ensure the safety of those using their premises, as a part of their duties under the 2003 Act. This concerns the safety of people using the relevant premises rather than public health which is addressed in other legislation. Physical safety includes the prevention of accidents and injuries and other immediate harms that can result from alcohol consumption such as unconsciousness or alcohol poisoning. Conditions relating to public safety may also promote the crime and disorder objective as noted above. There will of course be occasions when a public safety condition could incidentally benefit a person's health more generally, but it should not be the purpose of the condition as this would be outside the licensing authority's powers (be ultra vires) under the 2003 Act. Conditions should not be imposed on a premises licence or club premises certificate which relate to cleanliness or hygiene.
- 1.2 A number of matters should be considered in relation to public safety. These may include:
- Fire safety;
  - Ensuring appropriate access for emergency services such as ambulances;
  - Good communication with local authorities and emergency services, for example communications networks with the police and signing up for local incident alerts (see paragraph 2.4 above);
  - Ensuring the presence of trained first aiders on the premises and appropriate first aid kits;

- Ensuring the safety of people when leaving the premises (for example, through the provision of information on late-night transportation);
- Ensuring appropriate and frequent waste disposal, particularly of glass bottles;
- Ensuring appropriate limits on the maximum capacity of the premises (see paragraphs 2.13-2.15, and Chapter 10; and
- Considering the use of CCTV in and around the premises (as noted in paragraph 2.3 above, this may also assist with promoting the crime and disorder objective).

1.3 The measures that are appropriate to promote public safety will vary between premises and the matters listed above may not apply in all cases. As set out in Chapter 8 (8.33- 8.41), applicants should consider when making their application which steps it is appropriate to take to promote the public safety objective and demonstrate how they achieve that.

### Ensuring safe departure of those using the premises

1.4 Licence holders should make provision to ensure that premises users safely leave their premises. Measures that may assist include:

- Providing information on the premises of local taxi companies who can provide safe transportation home; and
- Ensuring adequate lighting outside the premises, particularly on paths leading to and from the premises and in car parks.

### Maintenance and repair

1.5 Where there is a requirement in other legislation for premises open to the public or for employers to possess certificates attesting to the safety or satisfactory nature of certain equipment or fixtures on the premises, it would be inappropriate for a licensing condition to require possession of such a certificate. However, it would be

permissible to require as a condition of a licence or certificate, if appropriate, checks on this equipment to be conducted at specified intervals and for evidence of these checks to be retained by the premises licence holder or club provided this does not duplicate or gold-plate a requirement in other legislation. Similarly, it would be permissible for licensing authorities, if they receive relevant representations from responsible authorities or any other persons, to attach conditions which require equipment of particular standards to be maintained on the premises. Responsible authorities – such as health and safety authorities – should therefore make their expectations clear in this respect to enable prospective licence holders or clubs to prepare effective operating schedules and club operating schedules.

## Safe capacities

- 1.6 “Safe capacities” should only be imposed where appropriate for the promotion of public safety or the prevention of disorder on the relevant premises. For example, if a capacity has been imposed through other legislation, it would be inappropriate to reproduce it in a premises licence. Indeed, it would also be wrong to lay down conditions which conflict with other legal requirements. However, if no safe capacity has been imposed through other legislation, a responsible authority may consider it appropriate for a new capacity to be attached to the premises which would apply at any material time when the licensable activities are taking place and make representations to that effect. For example, in certain circumstances, capacity limits may be appropriate in preventing disorder, as overcrowded venues can increase the risks of crowds becoming frustrated and hostile.
- 1.7 It should also be noted in this context that it remains an offence under the 2003 Act to sell or supply alcohol to a person who is drunk. This is particularly important because of the nuisance and anti-social behaviour which can be provoked after leaving licensed

premises.

- 1.8 Where an authorisation is required under the 2003 Act for a performance of dance (see paragraphs 15.10 and 15.15 below), section 177 of that Act provides that any licence condition which relates to a performance of dance has no effect if certain conditions are met. In particular, the suspension of licence conditions can only occur if the permitted capacity of premises is not more than 200 persons. The permitted capacity is a limit on the number of persons who may be on the premises at any time, following a recommendation by the relevant fire and rescue authority under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. For any application for a premises licence or club premises certificate for premises without an existing permitted capacity where the applicant wishes to take advantage of the special provisions set out in section 177 of the 2003 Act, the applicant should conduct their own risk assessment as to the appropriate capacity of the premises. They should send their recommendation to the fire and rescue authority which will consider it and decide what the “permitted capacity” of those premises should be.
- 1.9 Whilst the Cinematograph (Safety) Regulations 1955 (S.I. 1955/1129) – which contained a significant number of regulations in respect of fire safety provision at cinemas – no longer apply, authorisations granted under Schedule 8 to the 2003 Act will have been subject to conditions which re-state those regulations in their new premises licence or club premises certificate. Any holders of a converted licence seeking to remove these conditions and reduce the regulatory burden on them (to the extent to which that can be done while still promoting the licensing objectives), would need to apply to vary their converted licences or certificates. When considering applications for variations, minor variations, and the grant of new licences, licensing authorities and responsible

authorities should recognise the need for steps to be taken to assure public safety at these premises in the absence of the 1955 Regulations.

- 1.10 Public safety includes the safety of performers appearing at any premises.

## **Council's Licensing Policy (2013-2018)**

### **9 Public Safety**

9.1 The 2003 Act covers a wide range of premises that require a licence, and so such premises present a mixture of risks to users and should be constructed or adapted and operated so as to acknowledge and safeguard occupants against these risks.

9.2 The Licensing Authority will expect Operating Schedules to satisfactorily address these issues and applicants are advised to seek advice from the Council's Environmental Health (Health & Safety) Officers and the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority before preparing their plans and Schedules.

9.3 Where an applicant identifies an issue in regard to public safety (including fire safety) which is not covered by existing legislation, the applicant should identify in their operating schedule the steps that will be taken to ensure public safety. This needs to take into account any unique characteristics that arise in connection with the licensable activity, any requirements that are specific to the premises.

9.4 The Licensing Authority, where its discretion is engaged, will consider attaching Conditions to licences and permissions to promote safety, and these may include Conditions drawn from a Model Pool of Conditions as proportionate and appropriate are contained in Appendix 2.

9.5 The Licensing Authority will impose conditions that relate to its licensing objectives, and in a way that is proportionate to the individual circumstances of the premises seeking a licence.



# Appendix 75

## **Planning**

An application for a Premises Licence can be made in respect of a premises even where the premises does not have relevant Planning Permission. That application has to be considered and Members can only refuse the application where the application itself does not promote one of more of the Licensing Objectives. Members cannot refuse just because there is no planning permission. Where a Premises Licence is granted and which exceeds what is allowed by the Planning Permission and that Premises then operates in breach of planning then the operator would be liable to enforcement by Planning.

# Appendix 76

## **Licensing Policy Relating to Hours of Trading**

All applications have to be considered on their own merits.

The Council has however adopted a set of framework hours as follows:

Monday to Thursday	06:00hrs to 23:30hrs
Friday and Saturday	06:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight)
Sunday	06:00hrs to 22:30hrs

(see 15.8 of the licensing policy)

In considering the applicability of frame work hours to any particular application regard should be had to the following

- Location
- Proposed hours of regulated activities, and the proposed hours the premises are open to the public
- The adequacy of the applicants proposals to deal with issues of crime and disorder and public nuisance
- Previous history
- Access to public transport
- Proximity to other licensed premises, and their hours

(See 15.8 of the licensing policy)

Subject to any representations to the contrary in individual cases the following premises are not generally considered to contribute to late night anti-social behaviour and will therefore generally have greater freedom

- Theatres
- Cinemas
- Premises with club premises certificates
- Premises licensed for off sales only

# Appendix 77

### **Special Cumulative Impact Policy for the Brick Lane Area**

As with many other London Borough's the majority of late night licensed premises are concentrated within one area of the Borough. Following guidance issued under the Licensing Act 2003 a cumulative impact policy was adopted on 18th September 2013 by the Council.

After consultation the Council recognises that because of the number and density of licensed premises selling alcohol, on and off the premises and the provision of late night refreshment (sale of hot food after 11pm) within the Brick Lane Area as defined in Figure One, there might be exceptional problems of nuisance, disturbance and/or disorder outside or away from those licensed premises as a result of their combined effect.

The Licensing Authority is now of the view that the number, type and density of premises selling alcohol for consumption on and off the premises and/or the provision of late night refreshment in the area highlighted in Figure One is having a cumulative impact on the licensing objectives and has therefore declared a cumulative impact zone.

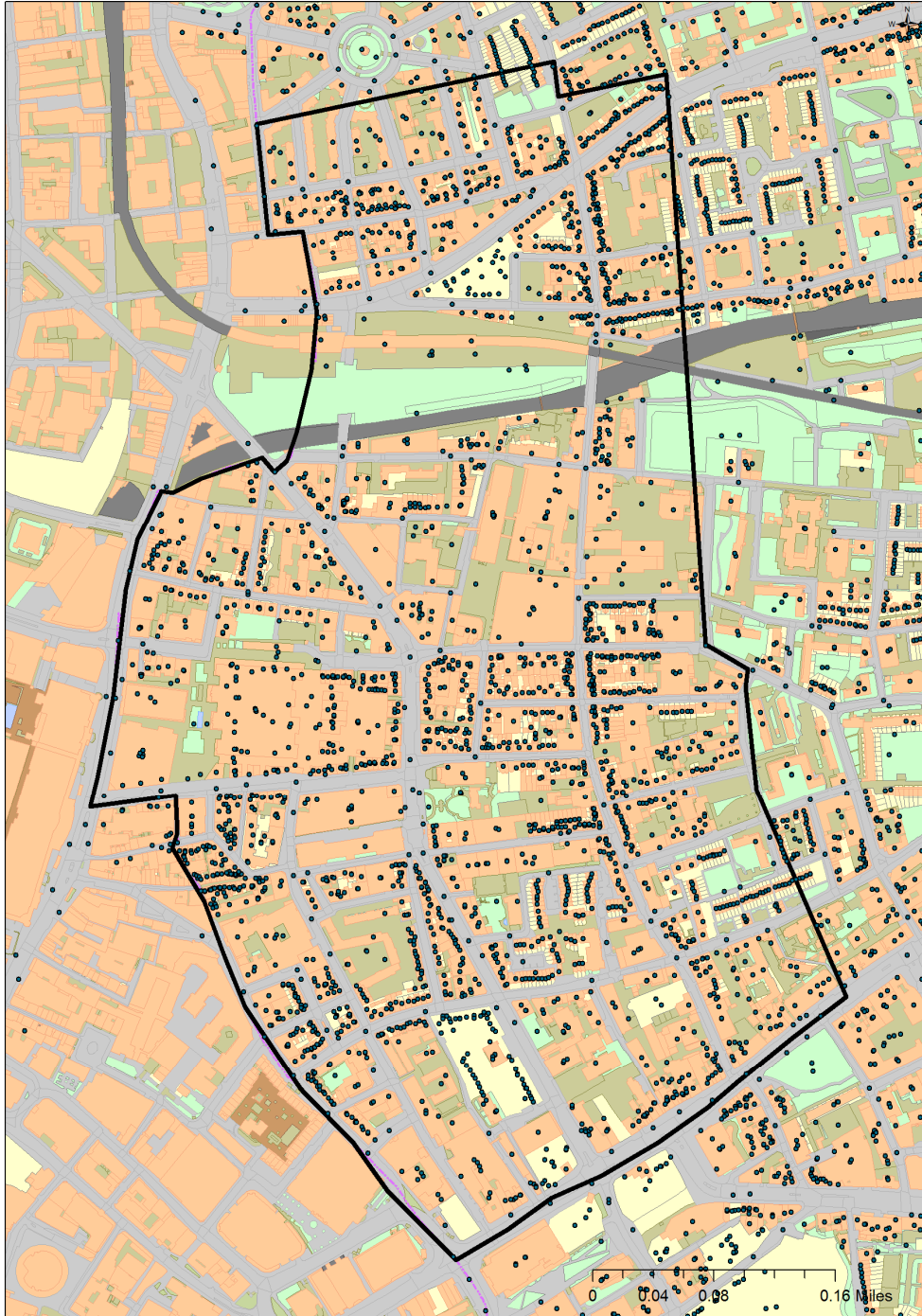
The effect of this Special Cumulative Impact Policy is to create a rebuttable presumption for applications in respect of the sale or supply of alcohol on or off the premises and/or late Night Refreshment for new Premises Licences, Club Premises Certificates or Provisional Statements and applications for variations of existing Premises Licences, Club Premises Certificates (where the modifications are relevant to the issue of cumulative impact for example increases in hours or capacity). Where the premises are situated in the cumulative impact zone and a representation is received, the licence will be refused. To rebut this presumption the applicant would be expected to show through the operating schedule and where appropriate with supporting evidence that the operation of the premises will not add to the cumulative impact already being experienced. This policy does not act as an absolute prohibition on granting/varying new licences in the Cumulative Impact Zone.

The Special Cumulative Impact policy will not be used to revoke an existing licence or certificate and will not be applicable during the review of existing licences.

Figure One

**The Cumulative Impact Zone in the Brick Lane area**

The Cumulative Impact Zone is detailed in the map below. The map shows all of the premises (dots) currently licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 in the Brick Lane Area. The Cumulative Impact Zone is defined by the dark line.



# Cumulative Impact Zone

