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From: Date: Mon, 5 Oct 2020 at 06:41 Subject: License application hearing for Violet on Thursday 8th October To: Gareth Sykes <gareth.sykes@hackney.gov.uk>

Dear Gareth,

I have not heard officially re this application from your office. I submitted my concerns via the website before the closing date back in August but heard nothing else. I am aware that others who did so received emails inviting them to attend the hearing virtually.

I would also like to submit further explanation of my apossing this licence.

Since August the Estate where I live - Wilton Estate, Greenwood Road E8 - has had numerous disturbances caused by people leaving the premises of Spurstowe Arms which is on the North East Corner of the estate and just meters from this proposed license application.

These disturbances include, gatherings of people over the in place Covid 6 rule. Seen to be from 9 up to 12 at times.

Drunken behaviour that keeps residents awake such as loud singing, chanting etc.

Urination in the estate at entrances to blocks and into people's gardens.

Rubbish of glass bottles and plastic bags.

Drug taking in the form of smoking drugs.

Increased presence of drug dealers at the north West corner where there is no camera.

All of the above will only get worse with the impact of a second licence holder in the direct vicinity. As has already been proved the current licence holder of the Spurstowe Arms does nothing to ensure that their patrons leave the premises and dispurse immediately. In fact they even have to cross the road to the estate to collect glasses.

During the opening celebrations for Violet after renovations the queue went down Wilton Way and round into Graham Road at one point. The patrons spilt over the pavement outside gathering in non socially distanced groups and made it impossible for others to use that stretch of pavement. This is now a regular occurance during the daytime. Extending the hours and introducing alcohol into the mix will only make this worse, and as previously stated, will spill over the road to the other side.

Please see attached pictures. These were taken at 1pm several hours after the initial opening.

It has also transpired that originally the owner of Violet was to open a second venue on Mare Street this year where there would be an application for alcohol licence to run the model of cafe with wine. This indicates that the license applicant knew Violet on Wilton Way was not a suitable venue for a licence. I am sure that the impact of covid has made it financially impossible to do this, but it does not make it right to then use a venue that you know is not suitable for this purpose. A venue on Mare Street is far more suited and would not impact so heavily upon a purely residential space. Please do let me know how I can attend the meeting.

Kind regards



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