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To: Licensing

Subject: LICENSING APPLICATION WK/201704740

My name is Jeffrey Alexander Gunn and I live at [REDACTED] I am writing as Honorary Secretary of the South Park Residents Association (SPERA) to object to this application for extension of hours on Thursday to Saturday nights from 3 am until 5 am.

The application relates to Aya Lebanese Takeaway at 72 The Broadway, Wimbledon.

SPERA have established details of the cleaning regime (from Merton Council) for the Broadway and Town Centre and it would seem that no cleaning is carried out after 2200 hours each day and cleaning resumes after 5.30 am each day. This and other such establishments already contribute greatly to the piles of rubbish that we see in the town centre early in the morning when our residents are going to work or visiting for shopping. Food waste is of particular concern as it also encourages foxes and other vermin with a free meal. After nearly 10 hours of revelry the volume of rubbish has built up so much that council staff struggle to clear it all away when they resume their considerable efforts. Waste bins are left overflowing and by granting an extension of the nature applied for this will exacerbate an existing problem for local residents.

Another reason we have for objecting to this extension is that there are already anti-social behaviour problems in this area as evidenced by the existence of a Cumulative Impact Zone. By extending the hours of the night economy this encourages drinkers and other problem members of the public to linger on after other activity. Noise and other disruption is often then spread through adjacent residential areas. This establishment is a takeaway and it should be noted that there are no toilets provided in the Town Centre at this time of night. It is logical that adjacent residential areas will then suffer as these individuals go about their business without any consideration for anyone else. It is our view that existing hours are more than adequate and we could indeed suggest closure at 2 am on these nights to reduce the build up of food waste in the Town Centre.

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Jeff Gunn

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