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**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Wimbledon Food and Wine REPRESENTATIONS

Dear Sir/Madam,

With regard to the current Licensing Application for Wimbledon Food & Wine, 226 Merton High St, Colliers Wood, on behalf of the Metropolitan Police, I would like to make the following objections on grounds of Public Nuisance..

The applicant wishes to extend permitted alcohol hours from 2300hrs to 0200hrs every night of the week. They also wish to raise the max abv of beer and cider currently permitted from 5.5% to 6.5%.

The premises is situated adjacent to and opposite residential areas, it is also close to South Wimbledon Underground Station which is now part of the Night Tube network. I am concerned that the extension of hours will encourage people to buy alcohol and loiter close to residential areas late at night. People returning home from enjoying Wimbledon town centre's Night Time Economy, or returning from central London will pass by Wimbledon Food & Wine on their way home. Stopping to buy alcohol will likely give rise to Anti Social Behaviour and public nuisance. This is a concern apparently shared by local residents commenting on a news article about the application published by Wimbledon Guardian. There are historic problems associated with the premises when under previous ownership.

I am also concerned about the applicant's desire to raise the 5.5% abv limit currently imposed to tackle ASB committed by street drinkers.

I ask the committee to consider revising the terms of the application if minded to grant the license. My recommendation is that the alcohol hours are extended to 0000hrs Monday to Thursday, and to 0200hrs on Friday and Saturday nights, 2300hrs on Sundays.

The condition that restricts max abv be amended to include "except for Premium and Craft beers".

To provide the confidence and ability to safely refuse sales of alcohol when necessary, I would like to see the following condition added to the licence if granted: "On Friday and Saturday evenings, there must be a minimum of two members of staff on duty at the premises from 2300hrs whilst open to the public"

From my discussions with the applicant's agent during the consultation, we almost reached agreement with the above. The applicant was reluctant to amend alcohol hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Kind regards

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