

### Heron, Andrew

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**From:** Earis, Richard  
**Sent:** 23 June 2017 16:01  
**To:** Heron, Andrew  
**Subject:** RE: City Cruises - City Alpha, Cherry Garden Pier, Bermondsey Wall East, SE16 4TU

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Dear Andrew,

I understand the concerns from residents relate predominantly to risk of nuisance from noise and light.

We have not objected to this application. It is for the committee to come to its own view however as a result of your request for further comments I can explain our reasons for the decision not to object as follows:

- Being a silent cinema there is no noise from the cinema itself and patrons on the deck will be occupied in watching the screenings so less likely to add significant noise
- The effect of the change on servicing and waste collection is considered unlikely to be significant in terms of nuisance noise
- The proposed hours of operation add a single additional hour which is still within the Licensing Policy hours specified for this area (i.e. until 23.00) and hence a minimal impact from staff disembarking is not considered exceptional or unreasonable in this context
- The screen is likely to be visible in the distance to bankside residents as it travels along the river in hours of darkness. This could conceivably cause irritation to some residents depending on their individual sensitivity. The effect is transitory for any given resident. The light is unlikely to result in significant light spill into any dwellings (i.e. illuminating inside rooms). To constitute a nuisance an effect needs to be more than merely visible. This has to involve a material interference to a person of normal\average sensitivity, and, in the case of public nuisance must affect a class of people. There are already many other visible light sources on the river at night and insufficient evidence of additional risk of nuisance in this case.

There is some risk of nuisance from almost any application. In this case our opinion is that the level of risk does not justify an objection from us as a responsible authority.

We do not have any wider view on whether or not the application should be granted.

I hope the above is of assistance.

Kind Regards,

Richard

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Dear Richard,

Further to the application made for a variation to the premises licence, the application has received representations from local residents.

I am writing to ask if you may have any comments on the application that may assist Members at the Hearing.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

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