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**Our reference:** MD/21/3153/18

**Date:** 18th June 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re:- The Barrel Project, 80 Druid Street, London SE1 2HQ**

Police are in receipt of an application from the above for a variation to the premises licence.

The premises are located in a railway arch in a mainly residential street and there are large residential blocks opposite. The premises does not benefit from an outside area on Druid Street and opens directly onto the pavement/loading bay with no border to the road. The area the premises is located is becoming saturated with licensed premises and the use of outside areas is having a cumulative impact on the area causing public nuisance to local residents including public urination and obstructions to passing traffic putting people in danger.

I have attached two images taken from street view indicating the outside area and the close proximity to residential premises.

Any use of outside area will only cause further public nuisance to the resident opposite and possible obstruct the highway and possibly be hazardous to traffic and customers due to passing traffic.

The original application described the operation as follows:-

“80 Druid street is a railway arch that backs on to Maltby Street market. We intend to use the space as half barrel ageing facility for beer. The other half (Rope walk side) will be used as a bar/shop selling specialist beer and other alcoholic drinks. “

The variation does not seem to back this description with the requirement for children to be on the premises. The area has a considerable amount of brewery type venues

with groups of people moving between the different licensed premises having consumed alcohol leading to a high possibility of intoxication within the area.

We object to the granting of the variation in full.

Kind Regards

**PC Graham White 288MD**  
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**From:** Earis, Richard  
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**Subject:** Objection to variation application: 80 DRUID STREET

**RE: Variation application 80 DRUID STREET**

I have considered the above and I would like to object under the prevention of public nuisance licensing objective.

The reason for the objection is:

- That since the Licensing of Hawkes at 92-96 Druid Street, complaints have been received regarding noise from patrons using the external area at that premises. Despite applying all reasonable controls, licensing a further external area at this premises is likely to result in a cumulative impact whereby an additional 30 people may be drinking outside. This would leave the residential block opposite these two premises with up to 60 external drinkers to 22:00, when fairly recently no external drinking was permitted.
- That there is no external area within the demise and the premises has no right to use the area to the front on Druid Street as this is a loading bay which forms part of the Carriageway.

Please note I have no objections to the aspect of the application requesting variation to allow the presence of Children on the premises.

Kind Regards,

Richard

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# MEMO: Licensing Unit

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Subject Re: The Barrel Project, 80 Druid Street, London, SE1 2HQ  
– Application to vary the premises licence

I write with regards to the above application to vary the premises licence submitted by Simon Cotton under the Licensing Act 2003, which seeks to remove the following conditions from the premises licence and to add an outside area to the premises plans for patrons to be able to consume alcohol:

Remove the following conditions:

- **341** - No customers should be allowed to take drinks onto Druid Street or Rope Street other than to take away and they must be in a sealed container.
- **342** - Smokers on Druid Street shall be limited to 5 people at any time.
- **343** - No customers shall be allowed to take drinks externally at any time other than off-sales which must be sold in a sealed container for consumption away from the premises.
- **344** - That after 21:00 customers shall not use any outside area other than those who temporarily leave the premises to smoke, and no more than 5 people shall be permitted to do so at any one time.
- **345** - All external doors and windows shall be kept closed after 21.00 on any day, except for access and egress.
- **346** - That alcohol for consumption off the premises is not sold for immediate consumption in the area around the premises and is supplied in sealed containers that require a tool such as a bottle opener or corkscrew to be opened.

The variation is described in the application as *'We would like to have an outside area where people can consume alcohol on Druid Street. We would also like the ability to have children on the premises to stop young families is being turned away'*

The premises is situated in a residential area and under the Southwark Statement of Licensing policy 2016 - 2020 the appropriate closing times for Restaurants; Cafes, Public Houses, Wine bars or other drinking establishments is 23:00 daily.

My representation is submitted under the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance licensing and public safety licensing objectives and has regard to the Southwark Statement of Licensing Policy.

When the applicant originally applied for this licence I submitted a representation and asked for the following conditions to be added to the licence to address the crime and disorder and public nuisance licensing objectives:

- Any 'off sales' of alcohol shall be provided in sealed containers and taken away from the premises
- That clear legible signage shall be prominently displayed where it can be easily seen and read, requesting that alcohol sold as off sales should not be opened and consumed in the vicinity of the premises

The applicant agreed to those conditions and as such I withdrew my representation at the licensing sub-committee hearing held on 9 October 2017.

The applicant is also asking for a condition 341 to be removed, which was put on the licence by the licensing sub-committee at the time of the hearing. I attach a copy of notice of decision as supporting evidence to this representation.

The conditions that the applicant wants to remove from the premises licence are designed to address public nuisance and the prevention of crime and disorder.

The licensing unit has received several complaints from local residents regarding patrons drinking in the street outside the premises whilst operating to Temporary Event Notices that have been in operation (the applicant would not necessarily have to operate to the conditions on the licence whilst a TEN is in operation). I will submit further evidence of these complaints at a later stage.

Furthermore the area that the applicant wants to add to the premise plans is actually in a loading bay in the road and the applicant has not provided any measures to address public safety within the operating schedule or provided any evidence that they have a tables and chairs licence for the outside of the premises or whether they have permission from the councils highways department for patrons to be allowed to use this area.

Therefore I submit this representation and ask the licensing sub- committee to refuse the application.

Southwark's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2020 can be found on the following link:  
<http://lbs-mapweb-01:9080/connect/Includes/APPIMA/SSOLP1620.pdf>

Jayne Tear  
Principal Licensing officer  
In the capacity of the Licensing Responsible Authority

**NOTICE OF DECISION**

**LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE – 9 OCTOBER 2017**

**LICENSING ACT 2003: THE BARREL PROJECT, 80 DRUID STREET, LONDON SE1 2HQ**

**1. Decision**

That the application made by Simon Charles Cotton for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of the premises known as the Barrel Project, 80 Druid Street, London SE1 2HQ is granted as follows:

Licensable activity	Hours
Supply of alcohol (indoors)	Monday to Sunday from 11:00 to 22:30
Supply of alcohol (outdoors)	Monday to Sunday from 11:00 to 23:00
Operating hours of premises	Monday to Sunday from 11:00 to 23:00

**2. Conditions**

The operation of the premises under the licence shall be subject to relevant mandatory conditions, conditions derived from the operation schedule highlighted in Section M of the application form, the conciliated conditions agreed with the responsible authorities and the following additional conditions agreed by the sub-committee:

1. That the plans to premises be amended to reflect the changes of the Ropewalk exit as a fire exit only.
2. That the Dispersal Policy be amended to read that no customers should be allowed to take drinks onto Druid Street or Ropewalk other than to take away and they must be in a sealed container.

**3. Reasons**

The reasons for the decision are as follows:

The licensing sub-committee heard from the applicant who advised that the premises was located in a railway arch and it was intended to use the space as a half barrel ageing facility for beer and the bar/shop selling specialist beer and other alcoholic drinks theatre which would be consumed on the premises. The applicant had another premise in a neighbouring borough; he had also ran the Peckham Beer Festival over the summer 2017 in Southwark and no complaints had been received in respect of either operation. Whilst there would be no kitchen on the premises to cook food, the applicant anticipated utilising the services of other local eateries for events. The applicant also agreed to sign up to the Women's Safety Charter.

The licensing sub-committee heard from a representative to a local business that had submitted a representation and stated that whilst he supported the premises, his only concern was the premises had no right of use of Ropewalk which was jointly owned by his company and two other companies. This concern had been discussed with the applicant and it was agreed that the premises would not use Ropewalk.

The licensing sub-committee noted the objections from all of the responsible authorities had conciliated.

The licensing sub-committee noted the objections from the 10 other persons who were not present, concerning the number of families living opposite the premises and the likelihood of disturbance. Local residents already suffered noise from existing premises as well as anti-social behaviour and believe an additional licensed premises would make the situation intolerable.

The licensing sub-committee considered all of the oral and written representations before it and noted that the premises had been in operation for a number of years and no complaints had been made in respect of it. In those circumstances, the sub-committee were of the view that any impact the premises may have on the local residents would be minimal and could not justify not granting the applicant a licence.

In reaching this decision the sub-committee had regard to all the relevant considerations and the four licensing objectives and considered that this decision was appropriate and proportionate.

#### **4. Appeal rights**

The applicant may appeal against any decision:

- a) To impose conditions on the licence
- b) To exclude a licensable activity or refuse to specify a person as premises supervisor.

Any person who made relevant representations in relation to the application who desire to contend that:

- a) The licence ought not to be granted; or
- b) That on granting the licence, the licensing authority ought to have imposed different or additional conditions to the licence, or ought to have modified them in a different way

may appeal against the decision.

Any appeal must be made to the Magistrates' Court for the area in which the premises are situated. Any appeal must be commenced by notice of appeal given by the appellant to the justices' clerk for the Magistrates' Court within the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the appellant was notified by the licensing authority of the decision appealed against.

Issued by the Constitutional Team on behalf of the Director of Law and Democracy.

Date: 9 October 2017

# MEMO: Licensing Unit

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To Licensing Department Date 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018

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Subject: **London Beer Factory, 80 Druid Street London SE1 2HQ**

I write in reference to the application submitted by Simon Charles Cotton, for a variation to their premises Licence and I would make the following comments.

I have read the application's and note the applicant has not answered any of the licensing objectives in the new Licensing Policy 2016. I would like some clarifications on some points, and have made some recommendations where appropriate:-

- 1) **Explain how the applicant will deal with public safety, customers who want to sit outside drinking will be sitting on the public highway where cars drive by, there is a risk of vehicles driving into customers drinking outside in the proposed area. There is a serious risk of road accidents on Druid street due to the number of vehicles using the road day and night. It is not a suitable to allow drinking outside on the public highway.**
- 2) **A comprehensive site specific risk assessments to be done by a competent person and submitted to this Department.**
- 3) **It is proposed to allow children into the premises, the premises is not suitable to accommodate children where alcohol is available and where people may be intoxicated.**

I therefore **Object** to this variation application on grounds of **Public Safety** until the matters above have been addressed properly.

**Farhad Chowdhury**  
**Principal Enforcement Officer**