

APPENDIX C

Southwark Licensing Team
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Thurlow Street
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PART A

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14 May 2010

For the attention of the Licensing Team,

Premises Name and Address The Classic
107 Borough High Street
London
SE1 1NL

Licence Reference Number 831899

I am the owner of Borough High
Street, London and wish to object to the application for variation of premises licence
made on behalf of The Classic, 107 Borough High Street as referenced above.

I object on the following grounds:

1. Prevention of Public Nuisance

In the immediate vicinity of The Classic are several licensed premises including amongst others on Borough High street St Christopher's Inn, The Slug and Lettuce, Belushi's, The Blue Eyed Maid and The George. The area is very well served with respect to the availability of alcohol and the area consequently suffers noise and litter nuisance as customers exit such licensed premises. In particular, noise from customers of the St Christopher's Inn is a nuisance to my flat and the Mews. St Christopher's Inn provides cheap hostel accommodation and I have strong reservations about providing late night off-sales in the direct proximity to hostel accommodation which bills itself as St Christopher's Inns "signature party hostel". I believe it will make the current noise situation worse in an area which has now become much more of a residential area.

I also reference the nuisance problem with homeless people / street drinkers, which I deal with under the following section.

2. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The London Bridge / Borough High Street area suffers from a certain concentration of homeless people. It is unfortunately the case that alcohol misuse and homelessness go together, and this is compounded by the fact that “street drinkers” also congregate in the same areas. The extension of the hours of off-sales, as requested by The Classic in their application, cannot make this situation any better, and I fear that it will in fact encourage more street drinkers and homeless people into the immediate area via the possibility that they may extend their drinking hours – alcohol being bought on a “pay-as-you-go” basis. I have already witnessed fighting and disorders such as urinating in the streets from these groups.

Additionally, students, young adults and other holiday-makers staying at the St Christopher’s Inn hostels are likely to be in an exuberant frame of mind which, with the addition of alcohol, already translates into noise which is heard in the Mews. Increasing the availability of late night alcohol via off-sales, which by its definition must be drunk away from the point of sale, is likely to lead to further late night drunken mayhem and petty crime.

Yours sincerely



PARTY B
SE1 1GE

24.5.2010

Objection to the variation of licence as listed below:

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Premises Name and Address:

THE CLASSIC
107 Borough High Street.....
London
SE1 1NL

Type of Variation Sought:

Extend Sale of alcohol off the premises and the opening hours Mon-Sat to 03.00hrs and Sunday to 01.30 hours

Reasons for objection:

Who is going to require to purchase alcohol at these hours? It is extremely unlikely to be local residents who will almost certainly be asleep at these unsocial hours. It is very likely that those seeking to purchase alcohol will not be local and will already be intoxicated.

There is nowhere to sit and drink other than in local parks or laneways or sitting on the gutter.

Residents in this area are already beset with the nuisance of broken bottles and vomit (please refer to Better Bankside clean up of a large amount of vomit at 0915 on Monday 3rd directly outside the gates of Maidstone Buildings Mews. Parents and young children living in the Mews had to step over this revolting mess.)

The laneways already smell like public toilets due to the number of men urinating against the walls when the pubs close. This will only get worse if there is a late license.

Bicycles and pedestrians already have to ride and step around broken bottles and glasses. This will only get worse, especially at weekends. The more intoxicated the purchaser of alcohol the more likely he/she is to leave broken glass, vomit and excreta.

Noise is also a problem. As it is at present, the later it is at night, the more the noise from drinkers at St Christopher's Inn disturbs the peace in Borough High Street. They regularly spill out into the middle of the street, shouting and singing at the tops of their voices, and causing a public nuisance.

Thank you.

Sincerely,