

## APPENDIX C OTHER PERSONS

### Beauberry House/ Belair House : Licence Review

#### Representation on behalf of The Dulwich Society

It is concerning that an application for premises licence review should be needed only 2 months after the premises licence No 876282 was granted on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

The reported details of instances of late-night noise nuisance, drugs and even a fight occurring in the grounds of Belair House described in the Application are in strong contrast to the image Belair portrays in its advertising of being an up-market restaurant and wedding venue. However, the conditions in Belair's premises licence show Belair is also aiming at a different clientele, one to whom DJ led promoted events and late night refreshment and drinking appeals.

Belair's closing hours exceed Southwark Council's recommended closing times for restaurants by 2 hours daily (closing time 02.30 am Friday and Saturday) and 1 hour on the other 5 days. A recent advertisement in February 2022 for a DJ promoted, sold out event (for a crowd of 300) from 21-00 – 03.00 am indicates that Belair has at least on one occasion breached this licence condition.

The Belair licence does not contain a safe capacity limit; its publicity material states that the first floor has a standing capacity of 120. Assuming the same capacity for the ground floor, a crowd of 300 (plus DJ and staff) may have resulted in serious, dangerous overcrowding.

If the view of the Responsible Authorities is that the premises licence should not be revoked, the Society would support a variation of the premises licence conditions including the following:

- (i) The premises should close at Southwark Council's recommended closing time for restaurants in Dulwich Village/residential areas, namely Mon-Thursday 23.30; Friday- Saturday 00.30 and 23.00 Sunday.
- (ii) The number of DJ-led promoted events be reduced to 10 per year with no more than one in any one month (Condition 841)
- (iii) The occupancy limit (excluding Belair staff) for private parties and DJ-led promoted events be set at 150.
- (iv) For all private parties and DJ-promoted events at least 3 SIA supervisors should be on duty.

  
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March 2nd 2022