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Dear Sir/Madam

Re:- Borough Food and Wine 107 Borough High Street SE1 1NL

Police are in possession of an application from the above for a Major Variation to their licence. The venue operates as an off licence and has a Terminal hour and off sales of alcohol of 02:00hrs which is not only generous but is also outside the hours for such a venue as stated in Southwark statement of licensing. The applicant wishes to open 24hrs and carry out the supply of alcohol off sales 24hrs which are even further outside the guidelines set out in the statement of licensing.

The premises are situated in the Borough and Bankside Cumulative impact Zone (CIZ) as designated by Southwark Council. The High Court approval of Cumulative impact policies came in Westminster City Council v Middlesex Crown Court. In brief, it stated 'A licence could be refused on the sole ground that the area was already saturated with licensed premises'

Borough High Street has a considerable amount of licensed premises including a number of off licence style premises. The area has a large problem with street drinking and alcohol abuse and the associated crime and disorder.

The applicant has failed to address the cumulative impact in any way within the application and no additional conditions are offered.

The metropolitan police object to the granting of the this variation, as any extension of hours to the sale alcohol will only add to the cumulative impact and attract alcohol dependent people and add to the local crime and disorder.

Submitted for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely

PC Mark Lynch 2246AS

Licensing Officer
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