

**From:** Lauren Clement-Delbos  
**Sent:** 27 September 2021 16:53  
**To:** Dimitriou Maria: H&F  
**Subject:** Fwd: Support for Licence Application for The Good Shepherd School

Dear Maria,

Would you please be so kind as to add this letter to the supplemental information?

Many thanks,

Lauren

*Dear Sir/ Madam.*

*I am writing to strongly lend my support to the license application for the Good Shepherd. I was shocked and saddened to see the ridiculous response to the application on Next Door. And, indeed, to hear the general mean-spirited opposition to the market since it's opened.*

*The market has done nothing but good for our community and is raising funds for a wonderful Christian school. In these uncertain, scary, times, it has been a safe place in a wonderful, close, community where we can buy delicious food, support local businesses and raise much needed funds for our brilliant school. It has been a lifeline through Covid.*

*How anyone could possibly suggest that this family friendly market or any other fund-raising event at the school would suddenly descend into an all hours drinking marathon or den of iniquity is beyond idiotic. We are all Christian parents and we have a strong moral code and sense of responsibility for our school and children. I find it extremely offensive that scaremongering locals believe we have secret plans to abuse the licence.*

*Indeed, it's hugely insulting to the brilliant head mistress and staff of The Good Shepherd School, who are extremely upset and disappointed with the completely disproportionate negative backlash being levelled at them. I guess this is just the sad times we live in. The school has been here for years and years. Has it ever once been guilty of the sort of antics being put forward by the people opposing the licence?*

*It's straightforward.*

*Instead of the school having to spend precious time applying for a licence for every school event, the organisers would be able to focus their efforts where they're needed, not on endless time consuming paperwork.*

*As I understand it, this is extremely common in schools which hold fund raising events. Many parents at other local schools have said they all have a licence and never had an issue. I have been a parent at the school for over 4 years and have NEVER ever seen anything but exemplary behaviour by the staff, pupils and parents.*

*I know there has also been an uproar about a possible parking issue but all our friends who go to the market live locally. We all walk.*

*These reasons are pure fiction.*

*I strongly urge you to support the application so we can get our lovely market back and carry on with our normal low key, non alcoholic, lives.*

*The world is miserable enough right now and the market and school have brought nothing but joy to (most of) the community.*

*Best,  
Miranda Cooper*

**From:** Lauren Clement-Delbos  
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**Subject:** Fwd: License - farmers market

Dear Ms Dimitriou,

Would you please be so kind as to add this to the file.

Thank you

*I would like for my comments in support of this application to be put on the Councils file.*

*I, Faith Agace, live opposite The Good Shepherd School ( Gayford Road) and was delighted when I heard that there was a weekly farmers market that was to be held there as I'd been driving to Barnes on Saturday's to go to theirs, so to have it on our doorstep seemed an exciting prospect.*

*There was quite a lot of "chat" amongst neighbours in the street with regards to the noise, parking and littering issues that understandably were a potential concern. However, we have been incredibly impressed with the respectful manner in which the market has been operated in even from the very first Sunday that it opened. In hindsight we should have all expected this and had nothing to worry about from the first instance, bearing in mind the school is run in such an orderly manner also.*

*My bedroom is at the front of the property and I've never been woken by any noise which is impressive as I am a light sleeper. Most people tend to walk to the market so I have always been able to park, literally outside my house, regardless of the time of day that I return home. There has also been no issue with rubbish as I assume people either consume the produce on site or take it home with them, but again, this has not been a problem at all.*

*I really hope that the license will be granted as I realise there must have been a huge amount of work and time that has gone into it all plus it's for a great cause in that I gather it is raising money for the school.*

*I have no cause to believe that this license will negatively impact as the school has always been respectful and professional in its previous and current affairs. All events including the market have been run with consideration for their neighbours as previously stated.*

*It's been a brilliant addition to the area and has a wonderful community feel, benefiting all.*

*Kind regards  
Faith Agace*