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To: Dimitriou Maria: H&F

Subject: Re: representations received - Kennedys Fulham, 609 Fulham Road London SW6 5UA

Dear Maria,

Thank you for the email with the various comments as well as concerns from interested parties.

I would first of all like to stress that Kennedys is a traditional fish and chip restaurant and we are neither a bar nor a late-night outlet.

We have two licensed premises in Islington, London with an excellent track record with both the Police as well as licensing officer.

As per the licence application we are applying for a premises licence with the ability to serve alcoholic beverages as ancillary to food.

In terms of the licensing objectives of the Council I would respond to the various comments as follows.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder

As you will appreciate, we have been liaising with the Chris Cardwell from the Metropolitan Police, and have agreed with and support his amendments.

We are aware of public disorder concerns in the area as indeed we have suffered from vandalism as a result of being next to a bus stop.

We have high definition CCTV at the entrance and exit as well as covering the rear which the public has access to inside the restaurant. The data is stored and is available upon request to the Police and or the licensing officer and kept for 31 days.

Chelsea Football Games and Parades

We are also aware of potential issues when football matches are played as Chelsea's ground or on a "victory parade day". We have agreed with the Police that no off sales will be made for three hours before the advertised start time and in any event as per the application only, then when as ancillary to a food order.

On the same days and times drinks will only be served within the restaurant in plastic glasses for the three hours before the game.

We have and are investing a considerable amount of money to create a high-quality seafood and fish and chip restaurant and do not wish to attract the style of customer who is likely to commit crimes and disorder.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

We are not applying and have no wish to apply for a late-night licence. The clients that we wish to attract are those who wish to enjoy good food in an excellent atmosphere.

We have already a high-level extraction system which was professionally installed and is professionally maintained and indeed has planning and has been in place since 2014.

We have discussed with and agreed the recommendations of the Council's Noise and nuisance officer James Rawlinson.

In respect of the fish and chip range filtration system the equipment installed is a low emission "Rational" range, the equipment is low energy efficient whereby the fryers are powered by electric thus only producing steam. It only operates as and when needed and switches off when not in use. Unlike traditional gas fryers that produce fumes which need heavy filtration, Kennedys has invested in this choice for the future sustainability. This is of the highest quality environmentally friendly equipment available.

We are proudly one of the first Zero Emissions Fish and Chips Seafood restaurants.

Equally our efforts extend to being eco-friendly where all of our packaging and cutlery is recyclable, and paper based. This is something we switched to reduce plastic waste and littering that end up polluting our seas, where we try to educate our customers whenever we can.

Public Safety

All our equipment has been professionally installed and is maintained including requirements to fire safety.

The fire officer has approved the existing entry and exit.

Protection of Children from Harm

As with our other two outlets we operate a strict "challenge 25" policy.

Conclusion

We are as I stated at the start of this email a high quality traditional British fish and chips and seafood restaurant, with an excellent track record with the Police, Licensing offices as our customers.

We wish to be able to compliment meals with customers being able to enjoy a glass of wine or beer with their food.

We take the environmental concerns very seriously, as you will have seen from the equipment we use, as well as both paper and plant-based containers which are compostable.

We wish to work with the authorities as well as our neighbours to ensure that they can enjoy a peaceful existence and we can enjoy our legitimate business in peace too.

The majority of the concerns raised by the residents are clearly aimed at pure drinking establishments and late night off licences and bars and not the local restaurants.

We share their concerns in respect of the crime and disorder in the area and are happy to work with the authorities to ensure that we are perceived as a quality addition to the area.

Kind Regards,

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KENNEDYS OF LONDON