

THE HAMLET CLINIC

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Private and Confidential

Dear Hammersmith and Fulham licensing department,

I've become aware of your application to review the license of The Chelsea Lodge, in which you recommend reducing the operating hours; I would strongly oppose this and would like to express my favour towards this Restaurant, as I'm sure many of the regulars will.

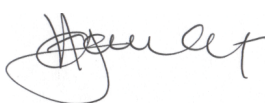
I have been frequenting this venue for dinner and drinks for quite some time now; I am a regular customer, in my late 40's and a well-respected surgeon. I find this place to be a pleasant environment to visit, with like-minded people attending; from professionals to families and always a sensible crowd. I specifically frequent this business because of the type of calibre of people that attend it. The business is outstandingly managed and one of the few valued late-night venues in the area. It really shocks me to read that there are concerns over public safety as well as crime and disorder, this couldn't be farther from the truth.

Myself, my colleagues and friends enjoy dining at this venue and being able to spend the remainder of the night enjoying the music; it is the perfect networking environment both for pleasure and business. I find the venue to be well organised throughout my visit, just as well at the end of the night as at the beginning. The security here are fantastic at their job and have a keen eye; they stop any nonsense before its even started. They have great control over the venue and its customers, something which they are respected for. All the while I have been attending this venue I have nothing but praise for the operation and the hospitality of the staff and security. I would be really keen to meet these people who claim to not be able to sleep or enjoy a peaceful neighbourhood as a result of this business because the only loud thing I hear when leaving is the sound of the vehicles on The Kings Road!

We have just come from very dark times and our freedoms were lost for a long time, so venues like this should be praised and not punished for what they represent for and to our local neighbourhood. This venue allows us to enjoy a safe night out in South West London, whilst causing no disturbance to the surrounding neighbours, which is highly commendable for any venue in London. My experiences have never been anything shy of amazing and what a horrible thing it would be if yet another venue in the already fragile state that hospitality is in falls victim to the attack of local authorities.

Please reconsider your application.

Yours faithfully,



Dr Grant Hamlet MB.ChB