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**Sent:** 19 December 2024 16:31

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**Subject:** Licensing Act 2003 - 97-98 Sports Cafe 39A Goldhawk Road, W12 8QP - 2024/01981/LAPRR

**Importance:** High

Dear Lorna,

Please take this email as a representation from the Licensing Authority in support of the review application made by the Police Licensing team. There has been previous adverse enforcement history at this premises which we believe shows that the following licensing objectives have not been adequately promoted :

- the prevention of crime and disorder.
- the prevention of public nuisance.

Further information on these interactions will be provided in due course.

Kind regards

**Adrian Overton**

Licensing Team Manager

Licensing

Place Department

Hammersmith & Fulham Council

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 28 November 2024 07:43  
**To:** Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** Reference 2024/01981/LAPRR

Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to express my full support for the ongoing license review of the Sports Cafe located at 39A Goldhawk Road. This establishment has been a persistent source of distress and concern for the local community, and I strongly believe that its continued operation under the current conditions will only perpetuate the issues that we have been struggling with for years.

The problems associated with the Sports Cafe are well-documented and include drug dealing in broad daylight, physical altercations, and aggressive behaviour toward residents, who felt extremely unsafe in their own homes. On a personal level, I have been subjected to abuse and threats by individuals frequenting the establishment on a number of occasions. Disturbingly, women in particular appear to be targeted, as other neighbours have shared similar experiences of harassment and intimidation.

Since the (recent) temporary closure of the Sports Cafe, there has been an immediate and noticeable improvement in the neighbourhood. The atmosphere is safer, and I no longer feel a sense of anxiety when approaching my own street, uncertain of what disruptive or dangerous situations might unfold. This transformation highlights the significant impact the venue has had on the local community's safety and well-being.

Keeping this license active would undermine efforts to create a safer, more harmonious environment for residents. I urge the council to consider the lived experiences of those in the community and to take a stand against the disturbances caused by the Sports Cafe.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter, and I am happy to provide further information or share my experiences in more detail if needed

best wishes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 29 November 2024 11:16  
**To:** Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** Re: Reference 2024/01981/LAPRR

hello

thanks for your note

my full details are

[REDACTED]

many thanks

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 15/12/2024 4:53 AM from [REDACTED]

### Application Summary

Address: 39A Goldhawk Road London W12 8QP

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Proposal: Premises Licence Review

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Case Officer: Lorna McKenna

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### Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

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Email:

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Address: [REDACTED]

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### Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

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Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

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Reasons for comment:

Comments: 15/12/2024 4:53 AM Woodger rd is a residential street how this commercial business with their entrance on woodger rd has been allowed to operate here for so long is questionable.  
The clientele  
Gather and block the pavement on both sides of the road  
Smoke and pollute both sides of the road  
Park illegally and when you question them are verbally abusive  
Use woodger rd as a 'taxi' rank  
They have been closed for weeks and the relied and change to the street is remarkable  
We are a street of families, young and old decent people and have been complaining about this business for many many years.  
This is the CHANGE that Labour promised and we tax paying residents expect. Do the right thing.

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On 16 Dec 2024, at 17:13, Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email below and comments.

As the application is for a review of the premises licence, please could you confirm by return of email if your comments are in support of the review or you object to the review application?

Kind regards  
**Lorna McKenna**

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 16 December 2024 15:51

**To:** Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Comments for Licensing Application 2024/01981/LAPRR

I OBJECT to a review or any form of licence application for the sports café and the sports cafe location to be used for commercial use.

On 17 Dec 2024, at 12:21, Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED],

Your comments appear to contradict the application. This is an application for a review of the premises licence which has been submitted by the Metropolitan Police who are request that the licence should be revoked.

A comment in support of this, would mean that you agree with the Police's view and that you believe there should not be a premises licence at the premises.

A comment of objection of this, would mean that you do not agree with the Police's view, and you believe there should be a premises licence in place at the premises.

Are you able to clarify if you in support or against the application for the review of the premises.

Should you require any further information and clarification, please provide a contact number and I can call you, or alternatively you can call me on the number below.

Kind regards

**Lorna McKenna**

Licensing Compliance Officer

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 18 December 2024 16:50

**To:** Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Comments for Licensing Application 2024/01981/LAPRR

Dear Lorna

Thank you for the clarity and patience.

I agree with the police's view and I believe there should not be a premises licence at the premises.

[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 18/12/2024 1:29 PM from [REDACTED].

### Application Summary

Address: 39A Goldhawk Road London W12 8QP

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Proposal: Premises Licence Review

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Case Officer: Lorna McKenna

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[Click for further information](#)

### Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

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Email:

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Address: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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### Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

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Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

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Reasons for comment:

Comments: 18/12/2024 1:29 PM Dear H&F Council,

I am writing to formally object to the license request for the sports café located adjacent to [REDACTED]. This establishment has been a consistent source of distress and a major nuisance to the residents of our building.

Firstly, the café operates as an unregulated space where alcohol is served in the basement, raising significant concerns about public safety and adherence to licensing laws. Additionally, it has come to our attention that drug-related activities, including the use and sale of illicit substances, are taking place both within the premises and in the surrounding area. Such illegal activities are not only detrimental to the

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community but also create an environment of fear and insecurity.

Secondly, large groups of men-often more than seven at a time-frequently loiter around the café. Their presence makes it extremely uncomfortable and intimidating for residents, particularly women and families, to walk past the establishment and access their homes. This has compromised the sense of safety and well-being that every resident has a right to expect in their living environment.

Furthermore, the café's patrons create excessive noise late into the night and early morning hours. In addition to loud conversations and disturbances, there is a pervasive issue of public drug use, including the smoking of marijuana, which has added to the discomfort and health concerns of those living nearby.

The cumulative effect of these issues is unacceptable, and I strongly object to this license application. The café has proven itself incapable of operating responsibly or maintaining a positive relationship with the community. Approving this license would only perpetuate the problems we are already facing.

I urge the council to consider the well-being, safety, and rights of the residents of [REDACTED] and reject this application in its entirety.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

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On Thu, Dec 19, 2024 at 9:52 AM Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)> wrote:  
Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your below comments.

I would like to clarify that this is application for Sports Café is a review of the current premises licence which is in place. A review has been submitted by the Metropolitan Police who are requesting that the current premises licence should be revoked.

A comment in support of this, would mean that you agree with the Police's view and that you believe there should not be a premises licence at the premises.



A comment of objection of this, would mean that you do not agree with the Police's view, and you believe there should be a premises licence in place at the premises.

**Are you able to clarify if you in support or against the application for the review of the premises?**

Should you require any further information and clarification, please provide a contact number and I can call you, or alternatively you can call me on the number below.

Kind regards

**Lorna McKenna**

Licensing Compliance Officer

Licensing

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 20 December 2024 10:58

**To:** Licensing HF: H&F <[licensing@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lbhf.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Comments for Licensing Application 2024/01981/LAPRR

Hi Lorna,

Thank you for clarifying my submitted vote.

What I really meant is: a comment in support of this, would mean that you agree with the Police's view and that you believe there should not be a premises licence at the premises.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]