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To: Elaine Quigley; Planning; Neil McDonald

Subject: 67 Whitfield Street - undercroft: Camden ref: 2023/1172/P and Members Briefing Panel 16/10/2023

**Re: 67 Whitfield Street - undercroft: Camden ref:
2023/1172/P
and Members Briefing Panel of 16th October 2023**

Dear Elaine,

I am writing to you about the above report and the recommendation for approval.

I would like to state that the report does not answer a fundamental question that I have previously raised.

1. The Noise Impact Assessment submitted by the applicant is based on the sliding doors from the restaurant to the undercroft being closed.
2. Your report is unclear whether the doors have to stay closed. Only 'it is envisioned...'
3. If the doors are open to serve customers then the Noise Impact Assessment is invalidated.
4. The Noise Impact Assessment can only be accepted as valid evidence if the doors are always closed.
5. We have no clarity on whether the sliding doors are allowed to be open.
6. If the doors remain closed at all times how will food and drink be taken from the restaurant to guests in the undercroft? Presumably waiting staff will use the public pavement.

We are left with 2 options. Either:

1. The sliding doors will be open to serve guests and the Noise Assessment is invalidated.
2. Waiting staff will use the public pavement to carry food and drink to establishment guests in the undercroft. The impact and suitability of this has not been discussed.

These are fundamental questions that the submission and report do not answer. To grant approval without clarity on this I feel is negligent on the part of Camden Council.

As a long term resident I would like this examined properly before any approval is granted.

I would like this information to be presented to the Briefing Panel this evening so they are aware of the full facts.

From Noise Management Plan Final:

8. Doorset separating the restaurant and the outdoor seating area will be closed at all times to prevent noise breakout apart from the entry and exit of customers and the delivery of food and drink.

From Outdoor Seating Noise Impact Assessment

7.2 Assessment

Our assessment of noise from the outdoor seating area has been based on the following:

- Doorset separating the restaurant and outdoor seating area kept closed.

Kind Regards,

Rob Gunns