

# Charlotte Street Association



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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: ref. 2013/4270/P: 31 WINDMILL STREET, London W1T 2JN**

*Proposal: Replacement of shopfront to restaurant (A3)*

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There is the strongest objection to the proposed opening shopfront with the sliding-opening windows.

Open shop/restaurant fronts are contrary to Camden's policy. DP30 (30.8) states that fronts are not normally acceptable and may have a negative impact on local amenity. Planning Guidance 43.9 highlights the problem in relation to food and drink establishments.

The identified potential negative impact on residential amenity is particularly true of restaurants which tend to generate more noise and stay open later than shops at a time when quiet prevails in the affected streets. The premises at 31 Windmill Street are embedded in a residential location; and experience shows that in such situations, the extent of disturbance is considerable. These premises are on the corner of Windmill Street and Whitfield Street. Not only is there much residential in Windmill street, but there are also residential flats in Whitfield Street next door, as well as opposite the premises.

There is also concern about the escape of noise through the louvered panel, which covers a much larger opening than the present small grille.

The application should be refused.

Yours sincerely,

Clive Henderson,  
Committee Member,  
On behalf of Charlotte Street Association.

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