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2019/5747/P	Manohar Maan	10/01/2020 02:37:05	OBJ	<p>Reference 2019/5741P Dear Matthew Re: 76 Neal Street WC2H 9PA</p> <p>I wish to record my objection to this application for the change of use of the basement and ground floor retail premises (class A1) to restaurant use (class A3). The application should not receive permission from the Council. The Change of use will worsen our amenity, it is contrary to Council Planning policies and in particular contrary to Camden's planning guidance concerning Town Centres and Retail specifically for the Seven Dials Covent Garden Area. It will simply NOT enhance the character of the conservation area. There are many residents living on either side of the premises and Neal Street is indeed a mixed retail & residential street, with few A3 units. The property has excellent retail use and there is a very high demand for retail outlets in Neal Street Covent Garden, many retail shops are doing well and are established. There is no Design and Access Statement which is a basic required document and no photographs of the proposed unit internally or externally.</p> <p>I am constantly harassed by the current levels of noise pollution & anti-social behavior (aggressive begging & drug injecting/dealing), the change of use will adversely affect the area and damage the very historical conservation element of Neal Street. I don't understand why the Landlord can't just let out the property as a retail unit as Neal Street is famed for its boutiques and footwear stores. I can recall that for many years the shop was a shoe shop, with an ample space in the ground floor & basement. The property has been boarded up since the shop fire of July 2015, when many residents living alongside and opposite (including myself) were evacuated by the London Fire brigade. I honestly think that the landlord has no regard for the area and there has been no urgency in bringing the ground floor and basement back into retail use. I strongly object.</p>
