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2020/4296/PVL	Dr Briony Ackroyd-Parkin	23/09/2020 13:39:26	OBJ	<p>I am writing as an immediate neighbour to this planning application to object in the strongest possible terms. I live in the adjoining building to the east of the Smuggler's Arms. My flat is on the first floor above Alex Tiranti's shop and the only windows in the flat overlook Warren Street.</p> <p>For years, until the COVID lockdown, my neighbours Mr David McAllister and Miss Jane Joyce, and I in the building, have had to tolerate steadily increasing amounts of disturbance from patrons of this establishment who stand in very large numbers (I would estimate easily beyond 50 people on several days a week) on the pavement and under our windows. The noise from these people is channelled up from the building opposite into our windows and even early on in the evening becomes deafening after people have been consuming large amounts of alcohol. It is impossible to sleep with this noise disturbance which goes on all evening and well into the night.</p> <p>Of equal or even more concern to me is the clouds of smoke which billow up from the patrons' cigarettes and other articles. This is profoundly offensive, and a severe health hazard to us, in particular to myself on the first floor. It requires me to keep my windows closed on the hottest, most airless days of the year, and still large amounts of smoke penetrate my flat.</p> <p>The plan associated with this application is insufficient to locate the site of the proposed tables, since it is not adequately labelled. However, it appears to indicate that the pavement along which we would walk to, for example, Great Portland St station, will be completely occluded by these tables and most certainly, as is already the case, by the pub patrons standing up drinking, leading to inevitable danger from vehicles passing down Warren Street. It is also inadequate to define where the east and west boundaries of the application are, but it appears that it may include the area under our windows. Certainly, even if the application does not extend so far east, the patrons will in practice invariably spill along thus far, as is already encouraged by a notice which is currently pinned to the door of the public house itself.</p> <p>The effect of this planning permission being granted will be to make continued residence in my home, in which I have lived since 1983, completely intolerable. I therefore submit in the strongest terms that it should not be granted.</p>
2020/4296/PVL	V Swift	22/09/2020 08:12:39	OBJ	Insufficient space for pedestrians to pass and distance safely. They will be forced into the road.

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2020/4296/PVL	Jane Joyce	22/09/2020 19:39:52	OBJ	<p>To whom it may concern.</p> <p>I am a resident of Richardson's Mews, which runs parallel to Warren Street in the same block as the Smuggler's Tavern. The only windows in my flat face Warren Street, directly above the Tavern, so I am directly affected by the activity and noise levels in the street. I work from home, and have always done so, though I am here even more continuously now that we have the virus to contend with.</p> <p>While I am sympathetic to the plight of the Tavern, I object to the plan to allow the service of alcohol in the street for what amounts to 12 hours a day, seven days a week. There are two main grounds for objection. Firstly, the continuous supply of alcohol encourages a lot of irresponsible behaviour, including (but not limited to) people using Richardson's Mews as a lavatory.</p> <p>Secondly, the noise levels from people drinking in the street are intolerable. Warren Street is lined by four-story brick buildings, with a building twice that height opposite the Tavern, and these create a canyon effect, amplifying people's voices. Before the virus lockdown, the Tavern had people drinking outside in the area directly in front of their frontage. We, the residents, were often badly impacted by the shouting and over-animated talking, plus kept awake at night by the rowdy 'leave-taking' after closing time. The return of this situation on an even larger scale is unfair.</p> <p>I request that the Council consider limiting the pavement licence hours in general, and refusing the pavement licence for Sundays.</p> <p>Thank you for your time.</p> <p>Jane Joyce</p>

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