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2021/2279/PVL	Peter Jones	12/05/2021 15:13:16	OBJ	<p>I live in Earlham Street and I'm very concerned about the proposals for a streatory here.</p> <p>Earlham Street is a narrow residential street with high buildings on either side. This creates a canyon effect which greatly amplifies any sound. The noise associated with a streatory will be intolerable to the residents. As well as the general noise from the diners and drinkers there will be the commotion from setting up all the tables, chairs etc in the morning and more importantly the racket caused by putting everything away and clearing up all the rubbish when they close at night. Many of our bedrooms directly overlook Earlham Street and crowds of noisy revellers will make having an undisturbed good night's sleep very difficult.</p> <p>Also, it is unrealistic to assume that the crowds of diners and drinkers will all disperse when the streatory closes. They'll congregate on and around the Dial and be a magnet for pickpockets and drug dealers. Petty crime and potentially violent crime will increase and addicts will use our doorways as cover to buy drugs and inject themselves. In addition to the surrounding streets being littered with nitrous oxide canisters, we could have dangerous syringes left on our doorsteps too.</p> <p>Given that pubs and restaurants will be able to open from 17 May and all remaining restrictions are due to be lifted on 21 June, the argument for an eatery is now totally invalid. Seven Dials Market and Neal's Yard will be opened by then too so having additional outside tables etc is completely unnecessary.</p>
2021/2279/PVL	Peter Robson	12/05/2021 09:13:08	SUPC	I am in total support the recommendations submitted by the CGRA
2021/2279/PVL	Donmar Warehouse	12/05/2021 17:08:22	OBJ	<p>Whilst fully aware of the damage that Covid-19 has inflicted on local businesses, and in no way wishing to prevent restaurants from recovering financially from a disrupted year, we need to make you aware of the challenges, especially from noise, that outdoor dining will cause for the Donmar Warehouse, a well established and high profile producing theatre that has occupied a site on Earlham Street for 30 years.</p> <p>The principal concern is about noise that will be audible inside the auditorium. Once performances resume in early September, this will impact our business unacceptably.</p> <p>We operate Mon-Sat with performances 7.30 each evening and matinees either Wednesday or Thursday at 2.30pm and Saturday 2.30pm. Closing time varies but usually around 11pm.</p> <p>Additionally we are concerned about deliveries, and our audience queuing etc, plus audience evacuation and fire truck access in an emergency. There may also be a knock-on for access patrons in terms of accessing our entry ramp.</p> <p>We are mid refurbishment at the moment which means we need the street for access and deliveries until mid September when performances start again.</p> <p>If the Streatory does go ahead, we ask that Earlham Street be returned to its normal state as soon as hospitality businesses are permitted by the Government to return to operating inside their own premises. After this time there is no justification for special consideration of use of the public realm.</p>

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2021/2279/PVL	Wooding	12/05/2021 16:57:59	COMMNT	<p>Whilst agreeing that these hospitality venues do need some help at this time, as they are not allowed to serve customers indoors, the changes should remain absolutely temporary and Earlham Street should be returned to its pre-Covid situation with all access and parking and loading bays for residents and businesses reinstated, exactly as they were before the start of the pandemic.</p> <p>The permission to use the public realm for business and hospitality use must end as soon as soon as possible, which should be by the end of June 2021, when they will be allowed to serve customers indoors again.</p> <p>The Covid pandemic must not be used as an excuse to fundamentally change the character of the area away from a mixed residential and small business and independent retail area into a late night outdoor drinking area, and must not be used as an excuse to take more of the public realm away and be given into the hands of private businesses. The applicants businesses must not be allowed to try to use the Covid pandemic and emergency measures to permanently increase their own business capacity to the detriment of residents and other local businesses.</p> <p>The tables, seating and all customers must be cleared by 9pm with "last orders" imposed at 8pm in plenty of time for the staff of the businesses to clear away all mess and debris left behind, and to make sure customers disperse from the area quietly and in good time and do not remain making noise, mess and drinking in the street after the establishments have closed. The businesses must provide adequately trained staff to deal with any uncooperative customers.</p> <p>The businesses involved should not be permitted to play music in the street or to play any music that is audible outside of their premises.</p> <p>The concerns of the residents, some of whom have already reported that their lives are being made a misery by outdoor drinking and associated noise, must be respected at all times.</p>

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2021/2279/PVL	Michael Howell	12/05/2021 07:41:49	SUPC	<p>Stools or benches should be used rather than seats with backs. This makes customers less likely to place handbags in a way that is an open invitation to thieves.</p> <p>Earlham Street be returned to its normal state with 2 weeks after hospitality businesses are permitted by the Government to return to operating inside their own premises without social distancing. After this time there is no justification for special consideration.</p> <p>To compensate residents I also feel that there should be reinstatement of residents, parking and business loading bays that were lost in the temporary changes in 2020, using the empty kerb space in Monmouth Street South and Shorts Gardens</p>
2021/2279/PVL	Andrew Cawker	12/05/2021 21:58:52	INT	<p>22:00 feels too late for such a facility, especially once internal dining and drinking is allowed by Government guidance. Daytime up to Say 21:00 seems to strike a more sensible balance between residents and food and beverage facilities.</p>

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2021/2279/PVL	MARTIN VANDER WEYER	12/05/2021 09:23:08	COMMNT	<p>This proposed pavement drinking/eating area is almost opposite the windows of my first-floor flat and represents a huge disturbance in noise and alcohol-fuelled behaviour in a hitherto quiet street, considerably reducing my enjoyment of my home. Given the likely removal of social restrictions on bar/restaurant operations before the end of June, it is wholly unfair to damage residents' interests in this way for the remainder of the summer. At the very least, the proposal should be subject to a time limit of 9pm every night and the outdoor drinking/eating area as should be removed entirely within two weeks after social distance restrictions are finally removed. It should not return in 2022 without further full consultation. i have made the same comments on the adjacent Escapologist proposal.</p>
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