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2022/2095/PVL	Covent Garden Community Association (Elizabeth Bax, Chair of Planning Subcommittee)	20/05/2022 22:52:18	OBJ	<p>Covent Garden Community Association (CGCA) must OBJECT to this application.</p> <p>This new 'Pavement Licence' application by Amelia Café at 9 Monmouth Street would put 5 tables & 10 chairs in amongst what is currently a row of residents parking bays.</p> <p>There are three issues here:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Residents with cars are very concerned about further loss of parking. There was already high pressure on residents bays before the pandemic, with considerably more permits than bays available – about 25% more. We know of residents who have had to feed their children in the car on double yellow lines because they can't park and go home. Others sometimes have to park a very long distance away indeed (occasionally even in another borough) and walk back. <p>Then, on top of this, during the pandemic 8 out of 35 full-time residents bays were lost in order to help businesses get back on their feet, either for pavement licences or to facilitate pedestrian flow. And all 14 of our overnight bays were lost. Only a few of these have been put back so far. It is very challenging for families.</p> <p>A very small proportion of local residents have cars. Those who still have them are people who need them. They may have a commute to work which can't be done by public transport, some of them have several small children, others need a vehicle for elderly relations or for work.</p> <p>Now that people are back at work and their children are back at school they need to get back to normal.</p> <p>It is also an issue for the many more residents without cars, but who need to use visitor permits from time to time when their relations visit or they need a plumber. Pay & display bays have been removed from the streets of Seven Dials, so they can only use residents' bays.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The Pavement Licensing regime was introduced to help hospitality businesses that had lost money during lockdown. However, the applicant in this case is a new business which has no such needs. 3. The applicant is not fit to hold a licence. These premises have already shown that they have no respect for the neighbourhood, and we believe that they are therefore unlikely to manage any tables & chairs properly. <p>Firstly, when they moved into the building, they ripped out the shopfront to make a hatch across its entire width, without permission, in the middle of one of the UK's most prestigious conservation areas. There is a planning enforcement case with Camden, ref. En21/1171.</p> <p>Secondly, they have tables & chairs & an A-board outside on the pavement without permission, as you can see in the photographs sent to you separately.</p> <p>When occupied by customers, the furniture leaves far less than the required 1.8m free passage on the pavement, and the A-Board blocks it. People queuing at the hatch add to the obstruction and it is often</p>

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				<p>necessary to walk into the road to get past.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Please refuse this application. Please also open an enforcement case against the unconsented tables & chairs & A-board (in addition to the planning enforcement case against the significant unconsented changes to the building).</p>
2022/2095/PVL	Jonathan	20/05/2022 21:36:14	COMMIT	<p>To Whom it may concern:</p> <p>I am NOT supportive of the Pavement License Application of Amelia.</p> <p>1. We are not supportive of any increase in commercial activity in and around Neals Yard as the noise level coming through the tunnel is increasing as the weather improves to unbearable levels</p> <p>2. The increased footfall to restaurants is resulting in a significant increase in odours, we now have a French Burger restaurant pumping out smells into the back courtyard of our property and Home Slice the other side! This means we are unable to open windows during busy periods of the day. The approval of this application will only exacerbate the issue.</p> <p>3. Parking remains very difficult for residents so removing more would be painful for us.</p> <p>Finally very few of these types of businesses operate to the letter of the licence so I remain reluctant to provide any scope for them to increase their operating scope.</p> <p>The Barbary and Home Slice are constant examples of this as is Amelia.</p> <p>Fact: Amelia already have tables and chairs outside which they do not have a license for!</p>
2022/2095/PVL	Vincent Kirchner	21/05/2022 12:16:46	OBJ	<p>I wish to object to the planning application by Amelia Cafe to put 5 tables and 19 chairs on the pavement/street taking away parking bays. They already have tables and chairs on the pedestrian pavement and have rebuilt the shopfront to include a big hatch without planning permission. The pavement is narrow and the existing tables and chairs are an obstruction, in addition to people queuing up at the hatch. This doesn't respect the neighbourhood at all.</p> <p>By blocking more parking spaces, we residents are losing more parking as we already have lost over 35% over the last 3 years.</p> <p>All pay and display bays have gone and contractors usually can't find space to park to do work that we need in our residences. Contractors are avoiding to come to this area or charging us exorbitant prices.</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Eric Stuart	21/05/2022 00:40:34	OBJ	The Seven Dials Area is mixed use with a residential community as well as businesses. Although additional outside space for restaurants was important during the pandemic, the continued loss of Council provided parking for the benefit of its residents for the commercial gain of individual businesses is not right - it is unfair to residents as well as to businesses that are not able to get the same benefit due to the luck of location (or lack of it). I must object to this application as well as to the continued taking of public space for private business purposes.
2022/2095/PVL	Julia Tarasova	21/05/2022 00:01:40	OBJ	<p>I am whole heartedly objecting to this application.</p> <p>The current parking bays are imperative to residence parking. Monmouth street has already been largely commercialised with no consideration for the people who reside in the area (we live inside Neal's yard and Monmouth street is one of the only streets available to park on close to our home, with young family such as myself this is imperative. We already struggle every evening to find parking and removing the few bays remaining would be detrimental to our lives. there are not enough residence parking spots in the area as it is. The noise pollution is also a big problem with more seating externally. This already creates many issues with mental health, stress levels are very high due to unavoidable noise, even in our homes, patriots being very loud but also late night rubbish collection takes much longer as there is more littwr from the commercial sector due to a higher footprint of customers. The bottle collections wake us up every night as 1:30 am and then again at 5:30am.</p> <p>The business in Question is a new cafe and has never had any covid related losses and therefore does not require extra seating to substitute any earnings from previous years as they simply did not exist . It is also a very quiet cafe which struggles to fill the seating that they have inside and outside already so more seats are really not needed for them. Please consider the families living here and how all this commercialisation is affecting us. I feel as though we are getting forgotten by Camden council and our children are the ones suffering from lack of sleep and increased noise. The British government is trying to promote more open space in London and filling every street with tables and chairs really does not line up with this policy. I know Camden have policies to help after Covid but also consider the fact that families also need their rest after covid, especially to help the very stressful years we have all suffered with.</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Geoff Wood	21/05/2022 13:31:00	OBJ	<p>I am a resident with a car using CA-C parking bays.</p> <p>I have paid a fee for the parking and therefore have the expectation that parking space will be reasonably available somewhere within the surrounding area.</p> <p>Although at many times of day there are of course places available in the CA-C area because people have travelled to work or have gone out for the evening. The issue arises when everyone arrives back home. In considering if there are sufficient CA-C spaces it is the availability at peak usage times that is relevant, not availability at other times of the day. In my experience peak usage is around midnight/very early morning. At these peak times all CA-C places are often occupied. It can take 45 minutes driving round in circles vainly hoping someone somewhere will move their car. This is an unfair waste of an individuals time, stressful, bad for the environment as it creates particulate pollution, creates noise pollution late at night, and increaes danger to pedestrians.</p> <p>This problem has been increased by the recent removal of parking bays. The problem becomes even worse than described when, as often happens, parking bays are suspended for a myriad of reasons.</p> <p>I strongly object to CA-C parking bays being repurposed unless replacement parking bags are made available Eg on Mercer Street between Shaftsbury Av & 7 Dials.</p> <p>Thanks Geoff</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Amritpal Singh Maan	20/05/2022 21:50:36	OBJ	<p>I strongly object to this application for a pavement licence in the Residents Parking Bay. Under the current ETO, Seven Dials residents who have lost a tremendous amount of parking bays which has caused considerable stress and inconvenience. many residents own card and do have CA C Permits and absolutely need local resident bays. Amelia already rebuilt their shopfront to include a big hatch, without permission, and there is an ongoing enforcement case about that sitting with Camden. They also have tables & chairs & an A-board outside already without permission, which block the pavement in addition to people queuing for the hatch. I am very concerned at the principle of allocating public space to the exclusive use of private businesses. pavement licences were only introduced during the pandemic when customers needed to be outside and businesses were struggling - which was helpful and sensible - but that emergency has now passed. I object</p>
2022/2095/PVL	Geoff Wood	21/05/2022 13:31:06	OBJ	<p>I am a resident with a car using CA-C parking bays. I have paid a fee for the parking and therefore have the expectation that parking space will be reasonably available somewhere within the surrounding area. Although at many times of day there are of course places available in the CA-C area because people have travelled to work or have gone out for the evening. The issue arises when everyone arrives back home. In considering if there are sufficient CA-C spaces it is the availability at peak usage times that is relevant, not availability at other times of the day. In my experience peak usage is around midnight/very early morning. At these peak times all CA-C places are often occupied. It can take 45 minutes driving round in circles vainly hoping someone somewhere will move their car. This is an unfair waste of an individuals time, stressful, bad for the environment as it creates particulate pollution, creates noise pollution late at night, and increaes danger to pedestrians. This problem has been increased by the recent removal of parking bays. The problem becomes even worse than described when, as often happens, parking bays are suspended for a myriad of reasons. I strongly object to CA-C parking bays being repurposed unless replacement parking bags are made available Eg on Mercer Street between Shaftsbury Av & 7 Dials. Thanks Geoff</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Phoebe Reith	21/05/2022 10:47:13	OBJ	<p>Dear Camden team,</p> <p>I am writing to express my concern as part of the consultation for the 'Pavement Licence' application by Amelia Cafe at 9 Monmouth Street to put 5 tables & 10 chairs in amongst what is currently a row of residents bays. Planning application number 2022/2095/PVL. I have submitted a copy of this to planning@camden.gov.uk too.</p> <p>Whilst I of course understand the conceptual appeal of outdoor dining, this is a skinny part of Monmouth Street, accessed immediately as traffic swerves off Shaftesbury Avenue and therefore tables and chairs in the road do not seem like a sensible or safe offer at this establishment.</p> <p>In addition, I'd like to point out that the cafe's offering is very suited to takeaway food and drinks since it installed its hatch (which I gather was done without permission), so the need to have customers sitting and eating in the road is diminished.</p> <p>The consideration for residents in the area feels particularly neglected when the space for parking, or indeed just driving or walking, in and around seven dials is already incredibly scarce, as more tables, chairs, and even decorative pianos pop up in the streets. I applaud the success of the Seven Dials Market, in the basement of the food court, in what it has done for the local economy and gastronomic food offering, but the spillover into Earlham Street and the respective traffic chaos is an example of how this is already a mounting local access issue.</p> <p>Please can you consider this as you review the application which I understand has a deadline for comments as of midnight tonight.</p> <p>With best wishes, Phoebe Reith</p>
2022/2095/PVL	Joir Benedeti	21/05/2022 11:58:57	COMMNT	<p>I am against the planning application by Amelia Cafe to put 5 more tables and 10 chairs outside. They already have rebuilt the shopfront to include a big hatch and have tables and chairs out without any planning permission. The pavement is very small And it is blocking it in addition to lots of people queuing up for the hatch, They don't respect the neighbourhood at all.</p> <p>With the blocking of more parking space to add tables, we as resident of the area are losing lots of parking spaces as we already have lost over 35% of it in the last 3 years. All pay and display has gone and contractors usually can't find space to park at all to do any work we need in our residence in addition we residents find difficult to find space to park around our residence.</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Joir Benedeti	21/05/2022 11:59:00	COMMNT	<p>I am against the planning application by Amelia Cafe to put 5 more tables and 10 chairs outside. They already have rebuilt the shopfront to include a big hatch and have tables and chairs out without any planning permission. The pavement is very small And it is blocking it in addition to lots of people queuing up for the hatch, They don't respect the neighbourhood at all.</p> <p>With the blocking of more parking space to add tables, we as resident of the area are losing lots of parking spaces as we already have lost over 35% of it in the last 3 years. All pay and display has gone and contractors usually can't find space to park at all to do any work we need in our residence in addition we residents find difficult to find space to park around our residence.</p>
2022/2095/PVL	W. Williams	21/05/2022 17:33:06	OBJ	<p>This proposal is completely unacceptable. Losing these residents' parking spaces on Monmouth Street would be a huge blow, so many spaces having been taken away already. Yet again businesses are being prioritised over residents and it is simply not fair. Through the pandemic we understood that we all had to pull together, businesses and residents alike. The residents have been very patient through this time but as the city opens up again greater consideration has to be given to people who live here full time.</p> <p>This establishment has already opened a serving hatch onto the street and set up outdoor seating, all I believe without a licence, which illustrates their general contempt for due process. Where there is room, actual pavement seating for cafes is welcome and has been successful on Shaftesbury Avenue, but this is not a proposal for pavement seating, it's a proposal for parking space seating to increase their profits at the cost of a reduction of quality of life for those of us who cannot avoid the need for keeping a vehicle.</p> <p>The continual erosion of residents' parking over the past few years and our constant battle to retain them is extremely disheartening. Council tax, residents' parking fees and congestion charges all continue to increase whilst what we receive for them continually decreases. Taking away yet more parking spaces doesn't mean we don't need the vehicles any more, it just punishes us for something we can't avoid.</p> <p>The number of parking spaces has been reduced so dramatically that on occasion I have had to park as far away as the British Museum which, aside from being inconvenient, has the knock on effect of taking parking spaces away from the residents there.</p> <p>The lack of parking is also making it harder and harder to get tradespeople to come to the house - they just won't come if it's too difficult to park which creates huge problems when we need any kind of domestic services.</p> <p>Although known for its retail and tourist attractions, Seven Dials continues to be home to a great many residents, as it has been for generations (I have lived on Neal Street for 30 years and am by no means the longest-serving resident). As we saw during the pandemic, the businesses come and go but the residents remain so please give us more consideration in these planning matters.</p> <p>It is time to end to Covid-era 'pavement licenses' - or at very least to restrict them to the actual pavements so we can get our parking spaces back. Otherwise, what are we supposed to do?</p>

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2022/2095/PVL	Martina healey	21/05/2022 22:08:26	COMMNT	<p>Dear sirs ,</p> <p>I wish to object to this planning application to remove resident parking bays in Monmouth Street, to facilitate on road seating for a cafe .</p> <p>You have already removed so many in the adjacent streets that finding a place to park is a daily nightmare . These removals together with the constant suspensions and allowance of commercial parking in the few remaining ones we have, only exacerbates the situation.</p> <p>It is now time to reverse your streatery ideas and give the residents the consideration they deserve and which is long overdue.</p> <p>I look forward to receiving your response .</p> <p>I would also like for you to take inconsideration residence with disabilities who rely on there car¿s Dear sirs ,</p> <p>I wish to object to this planning application to remove resident parking bays in Monmouth Street, to facilitate on road seating for a cafe .</p> <p>You have already removed so many in the adjacent streets that finding a place to park is a daily nightmare . These removals together with the constant suspensions and allowance of commercial parking in the few remaining ones we have, only exacerbates the situation.</p> <p>It is now time to reverse your streatery ideas and give the residents the consideration they deserve and which is long overdue.</p> <p>I look forward to receiving your response .</p> <p>I would also like you to take in consideration local residents with disabilities who rely on their car¿s and being able to park near their homes which has become impossible when all residents parking bays have been taken away for all the local businesses to have tables and chairs outside their premises at the cost off the local community</p>
