

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2022/2778/PVL	Linus Rees	30/06/2022 16:06:20	OBJ	<p>2022/2778/PVL - 52 Warren Street, London, W1T 5NJ: 8 Tables, 32 Chairs and 6 Umbrellas Monday-Saturday 08:00-22:30 Variation Application</p> <p>Charlotte Street Association strongly objects to this application which seeks to increase the amount of outside seating from the current 24 seats to 32 seats.</p> <p>The premises benefits from a premises licence to sell alcohol and already has seating on its private forecourt as well as the existing PVL for 24 seats. Asking for a further 8 seats is excessive.</p> <p>The submitted plans propose seating on both sides of the carriageway -- in front of their own premises, neighbouring premises, and also in front of premises across the street.</p> <p>This part of the street benefits from a traffic filter -- two sets of bollards -- to enable improved conditions for cyclists and pedestrians and also to reduce the nuisance from through motor vehicle traffic to local residents. The two sets of bollards create a motor traffic free space. This could be used for additional greening including tree planting to address the twin emergencies of climate change and biodiversity loss, and for secure storage of cycles.</p> <p>Utilising so much of the space for commercial gain denies the opportunity to green, and interferes with the free passage of cyclists and pedestrians through the space due to the activity of the licensed premises. The proposal is therefore in conflict with Camden's tree strategy and transport policy.</p> <p>The consumption of alcohol outside in the street is known to cause a public nuisance due to the noise from customers, and could lead to a very negative impact on the amenity of residents in the street -- contrary to Camden's planning and licensing policy. Such a large amount of seating -- tables and chairs for 32 customers -- is larger than many restaurants, bars and cafes have indoors.</p> <p>Warren Street is already blighted by outside dining and the large amount of residents -- including those in social housing -- should not have to put up with outdoor restaurants on their doorsteps, particularly those with an alcohol licence. Camden's Statement of Licensing Policy seeks the prevention of public nuisance. The proposals will inevitably cause an increase in public nuisance from noise, and exacerbated by the "canyon effect" in this street of terraced Georgian houses.</p> <p>For the above reasons the application should be refused.</p>

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