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To: [Donovan, Jessica: WCC](#)
Cc: [sharon.palazzo](#); [frankthaxton](#)
Subject: RE: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF
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Hi Jessica,

I see that the Notice of Hearing has been sent out for this, for 4 August.

I was just wondering if you had had anything further from the applicant in respect of Frank's proposals below?

Kind regards,

Richard

Richard Brown
Licensing Advice Project
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From: Richard Brown
Sent: 13 July 2022 09:33
To: Donovan, Jessica: WCC <jdonovan@westminster.gov.uk>; frankthaxton@frankthaxton@hotmail.com>
Subject: RE: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Hi Jess,

The problem with that is that when the new licence was applied for, it was explicitly stated to be a cat café with a maximum of 14 people. The decision notice records that 'Ms Santis stated the proposed capacity for the lounge is 14.'

In fact, my recollection is that Frank and Sharon (who I have cc'd to ensure everyone is on the same page) withdrew their representation on the application for a new licence because although there was not a capacity condition (due to the existence of the non-alcohol serving café), sale of alcohol in the lounge would be self-limiting to 14 as that was how many seats there appeared to be in the lounge area. My proposed condition deals with this by referring specifically to the lounge area.

In short, I think that it is outside the scope of the application.

Kind regards,

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Hi Richard/Frank,

The applicant has asked if the capacity could be changed to 16 persons for the ground floor.

Kind Regards

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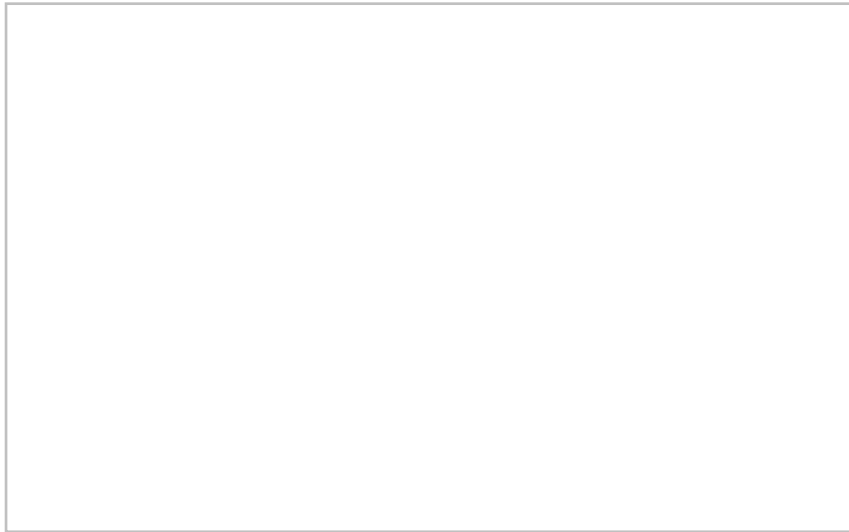
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From: Richard Brown <licensing@westminstercab.org.uk>
Sent: 12 July 2022 11:38
To: Donovan, Jessica: WCC <jdonovan@westminster.gov.uk>; frankthaxton <frankthaxton@hotmail.com>
Subject: RE: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Hi Jess,

I think what Mr Thaxton is looking for is confirmation as to whether they are happy to condition the matters that they have set out in their mediation letter and which he picked up on his response, i.e:

1. To amend condition 28 of the current licence to something like "*The supply of alcohol shall only be to persons with a pre-booked appointment seated in the lounge areas as shown on the licence plan. The number of persons able to consume alcohol at any one time shall be limited to: Ground floor – 14 persons. Basement – 10 persons.*"
2. The basement should be subject to the operating hours suggested in the letter i.e. sale of alcohol finishing at 20.00 hrs Sun-Weds and 21.00 hrs Thurs-Sat.
3. To add a condition to reflect the limited range of alcoholic drinks e.g. '*Sale of alcohol at the premises shall be limited to bottled beers and wines/prosecco.*'

My understanding is that agreement to this would resolve Mr Thaxton's concerns, but perhaps Frank you could confirm?

Kind regards,

Richard
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Sent: 12 July 2022 10:49
To: frankthaxton <frankthaxton@hotmail.com>
Cc: Richard Brown <licensing@westminstercab.org.uk>
Subject: RE: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Dear Mr Thaxton,

The applicant has provided the following response.

To go over the sub categories mentioned:

Our capacity remains the same as previously stated on our license with the only new addition of 10 people per hour in the new lounge located in the basement. Alcohol consumption is for bookings only and service will be done only on both lounges. Cafe area not covered, and no takeaway as stated before. Last orders would be at least 30 minutes prior to closing hours so guests will have enough time to finish their drinks.

Our alcohol selection will continue to be the following:

Beer (300ml can)
Prosecco (20cl)
Wine (18.7cl)

We have no intention to change this selection as we have no desire to be a bar.

Kind Regards

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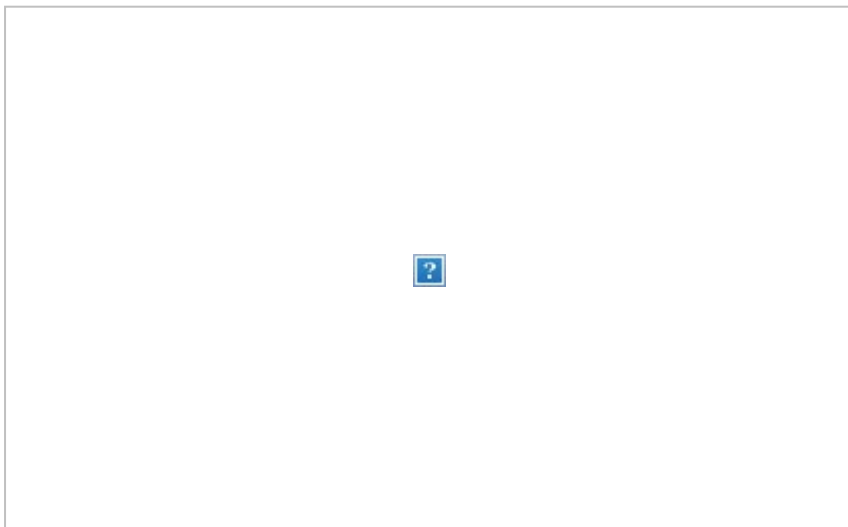
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From: Frank Thaxton <frankthaxton@hotmail.com>

Sent: 08 July 2022 12:08

To: Donovan, Jessica: WCC <jdonovan@westminster.gov.uk>

Cc: Richard Brown <licensing@westminstercab.org.uk>

Subject: Re: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Dear Ms Donovan

Thank you for your email - and I hope this reaches you in time.

Following receipt of the mediation letter, I am slightly more relaxed about the application. There are some points I would like to make for consideration by the Licensing Sub-committee to incorporate in their decision - essentially including points in the mediation letter.

Firstly, capacity. The absolute maximum capacity of the ground floor, for people able to consume alcohol, should be kept at 14. The capacity of the basement should also be set at a maximum of 10.

The operating hours suggested in the letter of closing at 20.00 hrs Sun-Weds and 21.00 hrs Thurs-Sat should also be incorporated into any decision

A condition should be applied to allow only a limited range of alcoholic drinks - a limited range of bottled beers and wines/prosecco - again as suggested in the letter, as an adjunct to the main business of a cattery. The premises should be restricted from gradually turning

into a bar.

Condition 28 of the current licence should be amended to something like "*The supply of alcohol shall only be to persons with a pre-booked appointment seated in the lounge areas as shown on the licence plan. The number of persons able to consume alcohol at any one time shall be limited to: Ground floor – 14 persons. Basement – 10 persons.*"

Given the incorporation of the above I would be happy to withdraw my representation, but I would like Mr Richard Brown to represent me at any hearing, and am copying him into this email

Yours sincerely

Frank Thaxton

From: Donovan, Jessica: WCC <jdonovan@westminster.gov.uk>

Sent: 07 July 2022 15:08

Subject: RE: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Good afternoon,

Further to my email below. Would you be able to confirm the position of your representation by 11th July please so we can make arrangements should this application need to be determined by a Licensing Sub-Committee.

Kind Regards

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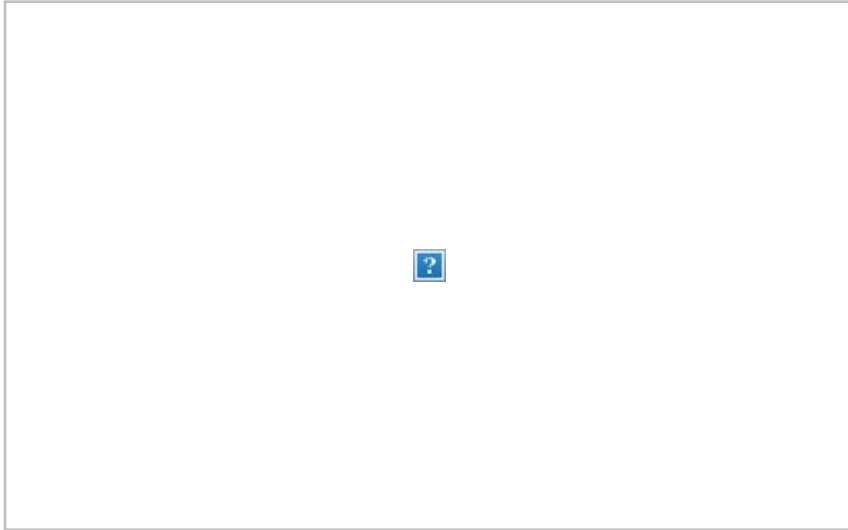
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From: Donovan, Jessica: WCC

Sent: 30 June 2022 15:43

Subject: 22/04134/LIPV-105 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 6QF

Good Afternoon,

Following your representation against the above application, the applicant has provided a document responding to the queries raised in order to assist with mediation.

I would be grateful if you could consider the information provided and confirm whether this satisfies your concerns and whether you wish to withdraw your representation.

Kind Regards

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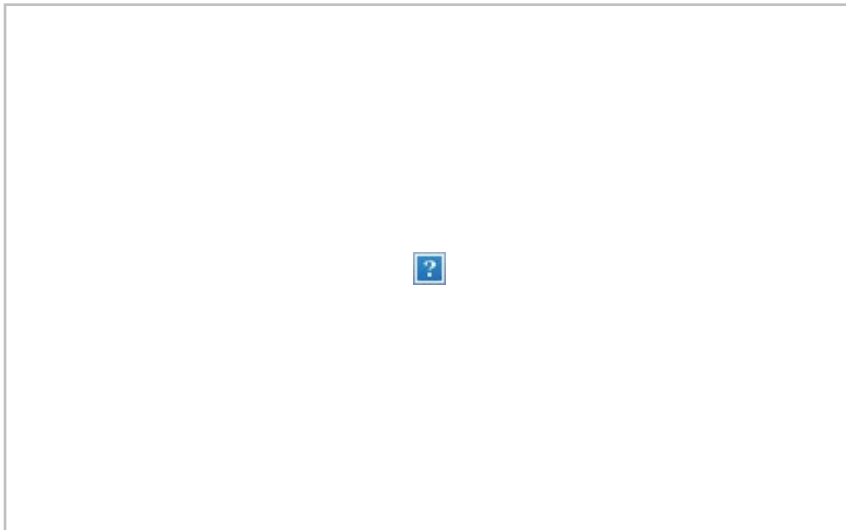
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