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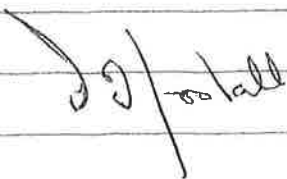
Dear Mrs Perry,

I would like to object strongly to a drinks license, being granted to EL-MATADOR BAR AND RESTAURANT, because of the hours asked for. 08.30 AM until 01.00 following day, and also for 6 days a week. Also for Sunday until 23.30 HRS

Line Tree Walk is a residential ~~road~~ road, and quiet most of the time. With elderly people. The nearest house is about 26mtrs away, from the property. There will no doubt be a Parking problem, with when they close at 1AM, with the usual drink problems.

Thank you, for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

 (D.I. GOODALL)

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**Claire Perry**

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**From:** Liz McLaren [spursliz@yahoo.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 27 April 2011 16:41  
**To:** Claire Perry  
**Subject:** 49 London Road

Dear Mrs Perry

## 49 London Road

I have spoken to Mr Gorham at the council with problems in the final construction of this building - El Matador bar and restaurant - he gave me your email as the person to address my concerns to about the licensing application for 49 London Road.

I would like to object most strongly to a drinks license being granted from 08.30 until 01.00 every day except Sunday and also until 23.30 on Sundays. Whilst the front of the building is on the main road, the rear is within Lime Tree Walk, and there are 40 private, family homes and two blocks of flats from within a few yards of their doorstep. We are in a conservation area, and it is very quiet here. The children go up and down to primary school along the road, and there is very little other traffic. There has never been a requirement for a bar to be open in Sevenoaks from this time and stay open all day and I don't believe there is now.

I would be most grateful if you could give my comments consideration when you are looking at this license.

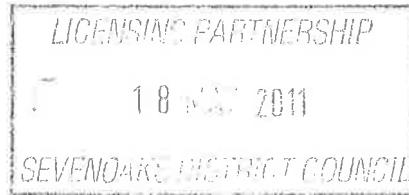
Yours sincerely

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Licensing Section  
Sevenoaks District Council  
Argyle Road  
Sevenoaks



16 May 2011

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **OBJECTION TO LICENCE APPLICATION AT 49 LONDON ROAD**

**Your Ref:** 11/00705/LAPRE

We wish to make representation in respect to the application for a licence to supply alcohol and refreshment at 49 London Road , Sevenoaks.

If the licence is granted, it will impact immeasurably on the neighbouring area. Although the applicants address is London Road, the premise aligns onto Lime Tree Walk. The area in the back of applicant's premises is quiet and lies quite literally in the middle of residential properties, only metres from their front doors. The adjacent narrow section of Lime Tree Walk is also heavily used by local residents gaining access to the town centre and is also one of the main walking routes to St. Thomas Primary school. The rear and side of applicant's building is exposed to the general public, therefore this area is more susceptible to disorder and public nuisance.

Crime and disorder increases in areas where licensed premises are opened and offences such as public drunkenness, anti-social behaviour and violent offences increase. This will be a potential problem on Lime Tree Walk as it is narrow, quiet and dark. Security personnel and CCTV will do little to prevent crime and disorder or protect public safety in the vicinity outside the applicant's premises.

There is likely to be considerable noise from the premises as people arrive at and leave the venue. I have seen employees of the establishment in back of the building dealing with rubbish and smoking.. Presently, the applicant's rubbish bins are exposed to public view at the back of the building. The sight of these bins, often to over capacity, is not pleasant. Seeing employees smoking out back is also annoying and objectionable and sends wrong messages to children. The proposed late hours (01:00) of the applicant will exacerbate the noise from this area. Noise will carry on even later into the early morning as employees clean up after closing time.


The applicant's proposed operating schedule has dance and live music until 23:00 with alcohol and late night refreshment until 01:00. El Matador promotes itself as a restaurant and lounge with culture attractions, but at night it will become a drinking bar attracting patrons specifically to get intoxicated. The effects of alcohol on society are well known and unfortunately binge drinking has not been curbed by increasing licensing hours as thought.

On the license application there are provisions for seasonal variations and non standard hours and the applicant requests 'business anniversary' hours until 03:00. The request for this late hour, which could apparently happen on any day of the week, jeopardizes local resident's welfare and could easily be subject to abuse.

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The proposed hours for supply of alcohol until 01:00 would be the latest of any restaurant or pub in Sevenoaks and the applicant request 01:00 every day of the week. The approval of this license will have unacceptable consequences of disorder and nuisance put upon the neighbourhood. The licensing council is obligated to protect the quality of life of local residents by rejecting this application. We are of the view that the applicant has failed to meet the licensing objectives and the proposed licence should be refused.

Yours faithfully,



Patricia  
John and Patricia Tutten.

**Sylvia Lewis**

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**From:** c-c-goodall@tiscali.co.uk  
**Posted At:** 05 May 2011 20:22  
**Conversation:** El Matador, @ 49 London Road.  
**Posted To:** Licensing (Licensing@sevenoaks.gov.uk)  
**Subject:** El Matador, @ 49 London Road.

Dear Sir's,

I am contacting you with regards to Saturday 30th of April, and the fact that El Matador customers were using the residential road I live in, 'Lime Tree Walk', as a Taxi bay to drop off, and pick up people until after 1am in the morning.

Niether the customers, nor those picking them up, had any consideration for the fact that they were using a residential road at 1am; where people were trying to sleep, as a pick up, and drop off zone.

They were extremely loud, with cars coming, and going, into the early hours, engines revving, car doors being slammed, people being loud, and thoughtless, not giving a damn that people were trying to sleep.

I have long term poor health, that requires a good nights sleep to help my body recover from the damage , and I will not accept months of being kept awake by drunk, loud, thoughtless customers leaving El Matador, when they could park in Blighs car park, and not affect a residential area.

Don't bother trying to make excuses, by saying no one else has complained, no one will, as they all know it's like flogging a dead horse, when the people you complain to, are the ones who own the resturants.

Yours tired, and utterly fed up.

Ms Clare Goodall

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Janet Lockie

**From:** Planning [planning@sevenoakstown.gov.uk]  
**Posted At:** 17 May 2011 12:07  
**Conversation:** Sevenoaks Town Council's comments on El Matador Licensing application 1100705/LAPRE  
**Posted To:** Actioned emails  
**Subject:** Sevenoaks Town Council's comments on El Matador Licensing application 1100705/LAPRE  
**Importance:** High

Please find attached The Town Council's comments on this application (El Matador Licensing application 1100705/LAPRE).

**Sevenoaks Town Council would like to make the following representation concerning the application for the application for the premises licence for El Matador 49 London Road Sevenoaks on the grounds that the proposed hours would adversely affect the amenities of the residents in neighbouring and adjoining properties and thereby contravenes the objective of prevention of public nuisance.**

The Town Council recommends:

- i). Live music to finish at 22:00 Mon-Sat and 21:00 on Sundays. New Year's Eve and Business Anniversary extension be restricted to 01:00am.
- ii). The same restriction as above be applied to recorded music, dance, provision of facilities for dancing and entertainment of a similar description.
- iii). Late night refreshment to finish by midnight [00:00] Mon to Sat and 23:00 on Sundays. New Year's Eve and Business Anniversary extension to be restricted to 01.00am.
- iv). Supply of alcohol to finish by Midnight [00:00] Mon to Sat and 23:00 on Sundays
- v). Premises be open to the public from 08:00 to midnight [00:00] Mon to Sat and 10:00 to 23:00 Sundays
- vi). No music permitted outside the building
- vii). A noise attenuation survey be undertaken and noise control levels put in place
- viii). A condition be imposed ensuring doors and windows are kept closed
- ix). Notices be displayed requesting customers to be quiet and considerate when leaving the premises

The Town Council requests that these restrictions be imposed to prevent public nuisance to the large number of residential properties in Lime Tree Walk and Victoria Road

Regards,

Hugh D'Alton  
 Committee Clerk

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