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Dear

Our Client: Level202 Ltd

Premises: 202 Kitchen, Units B5 & B6, Left Bank, Manchester M3 3AN

Application for a Premises Licence

My name is Luke Elford. I am the solicitor representing Level202 Ltd in relation to their application for a Premises Licence at Units B5 & B6 Left Bank.

I was responsible for drafting the application in accordance with my client's instructions.

I am contacting you because you have made an objection to my client's application. That application is currently due to be heard by Manchester City Council's Licensing Sub-Committee on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 10am.

I thought that it might be helpful to contact you in advance of that hearing to tell you a bit more about what 202 Kitchen will be, to explain why we must make the application, and to offer some observations on the matters you have raised within your objection. I am also enclosing some additional documents that were sent with our application that you may not have seen, namely the layout of the premises and the conditions that we have suggested to promote the Licensing Objectives. I hope that is okay and that the additional documents are useful.

202 Kitchen is a concept created by Panicos (Pani) Parpa. The concept is pretty simple, 202 Kitchen is a restaurant serving excellent food and nice drinks in high quality surroundings. It is not a stuffy old restaurant with white tablecloths, porcelain, and silver cutlery. It is a modern restaurant with a bit of a buzz and an ambience about it. To that end, we have applied to be able to open until half past 11 Sunday to Wednesday and until half past midnight on Friday and Saturday evenings. The hours are, in our view, quite modest particularly in the context of other premises nearby and we have deliberately chosen those hours because we are acutely aware of the problems that can be caused when lots of premises exit their customers at the same time.

Any restaurant, or any premises, that wants to sell alcohol needs a Premises Licence. 202 Kitchen, which is an amalgamation of two existing units (one was a Zizzi and the other a Gourmet Burger Kitchen, both of which had Premises Licences) needs a Premises Licence in order to operate. It simply couldn't function without one.

You may well not have seen the long list of conditions that I submitted with our application. The conditions deal with everything from CCTV footage to their being a number that you can call in the event this Premises causes any issues for you. It may help, in respect of your concerns about noise, to learn that 202 Kitchen will be installing a noise limiting device onto its music system and that the system will be locked at a level that will not be able to give rise to problems for you. If it helps, we are quite prepared to involve you in that process.

202 Kitchen want to be a success, but they absolutely don't want that to come at a cost to local residents. To that end, we are more than happy to commit to regular meetings between the venue management and any local residents that would like to be involved. Some of the other objectors have pointed out issues around things like when deliveries to/collections from 202 Kitchen will take place and we are looking to ensure that what we do is consistent with what other venues like The Dockyard and The Refinery have agreed. We don't want to upset the applecart so if something has been agreed with those venues then we will look to, if we can, agree it too. I have to say that having reviewed the Premises Licences enjoyed by The Dockyard and The Refinery, and even the Premises Licences that existed at Units B5 & B6 previously, that the conditions we are proposing are above and beyond what exists currently or what went before.

I know that there is some concern about this application and that fine and understandable. To that end, I am going to make myself available on the evening of 28 April 2021 between 6:30 and 8:30pm for anybody who wants to discuss the application to meet with me via Zoom. I appreciate people's diaries vary so I'm going to run the evening as a "drop-in" session rather than a formal meeting with minutes and what have you. I do hope that you will join me.

If you would like to discuss the application further or if there is anything I can help with then you are most welcome to email me at ______.

If having read this letter and seen the additional documentations you feel comfortable withdrawing your representation (and you are under no pressure or obligation to do that) then I would be grateful if you would contact Mr Patrick Ware at Manchester City Council. He is the officer dealing with this application and can be reached by emailing premises.licensing@manchester.gov.uk.

With my best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



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