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**Sent:** 23 August 2018 17:20

**To:** Licensing <Licensing@wolverhampton.gov.uk>

**Subject:** Amended Planning Application - The Parisian, Exchange Street

Dear Sir/Madam.

I write this in my capacity as Rector of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton. As well as the church being in close proximity to The Parisian, we also own the property known as St. Peter's House, 4 Exchange Street, Wolverhampton. The upper floor of this latter mentioned property is a three bedroomed residential flat, which is currently let to a tenant. I would wish to register my strong objection to the current amended application (having objected on similar grounds to the previously drafted application) to allow The Parisian to be able to remain open, selling alcohol and playing both live and recorded music to 0300 on the following grounds.

1. Such late opening and the attendant noise seven days a week would be excessively disruptive to the current tenant of the flat in St. Peter's House and would, as and when that tenant leaves, render the flat potentially unlettable to future tenants. St. Peter's Collegiate Church is a registered charity and depends upon the rental income from the flat as part of its overall income;
2. St. Peter's House is frequently used in the evenings for meetings by both church and outside groups. Excessive noise and disturbance from The Parisian would disrupt this use;
3. There are, at various points in the year and on significant occasions in the Christian calendar (such as Christmas Eve), important services in St. Peter's Collegiate Church in the late evening and spanning midnight. These services, and the right of church members freely to worship, would be excessively disturbed by the noise and attendant activity associated with The Parisian being allowed to operate until 0300;
4. There are other residents in neighbouring properties whose lives would be made a misery by the noise and attendant activity associated with The Parisian being allowed to operate until 0300.

Whilst I readily appreciate that there is an important night time economy in the city centre, I would suggest that a business in the location of The Parisian might reasonably be allowed to remain open, selling alcohol and playing music (whether live or recorded) until midnight at the latest. That would offer a means by which we could all make the most of our shared presence in the city centre and, together, make our respective contributions to the life of Wolverhampton.

I would want to register my concern that I have been unable to find full details of the planning application on the Council's website.

Yours faithfully,

