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Dear Sirs

**Full Variation Application: Chimichanga, 80 The Broadway, London SW19 1RH (the "Premises")**

Our clients have taken on board the various concerns that have been raised regarding the recent variation application made in respect of the Premises.

Accordingly, our clients would like to vary their application to instead offer up the following condition to replace condition 3 of Annex 3:

*"Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold or supplied on the premises otherwise than to persons taking table meals there and for consumption by such a person as an ancillary to his meal."*

Therefore, only those persons who are about to eat, or who have already eaten, will be allowed to drink in the holding bar. The ancillary bar will be designed to improve customer experience and will not be available to those who are not taking a meal at the premises.

The desire to add a holding bar to the restaurant is not designed to increase alcohol sales but is rather to assist with the flow of customers into the restaurant rather than allow members of the public to queue outside or be turned away from the restaurant.

By way of background to this application, the restaurant is to be rebranded in the new year as a MEXIco, which is Prezzo Limited's newest concept. The restaurant is to be run by the same people behind Chimichanga and Prezzo and will continue to be a family friendly restaurant. There is currently one other MEXIco which is based in Derby. Please note that we do not want the variation to have effect until the restaurant is re-opened following the rebrand in early 2017.

Our clients have operated from the Premises for approximately four years. Since opening, the restaurant has not, so far as we are aware, had any issues or caused trouble to the local community under the current Premises Licence.

Our clients are committed to working hard to promote and support Merton District Council's licensing objectives. Our clients operate family friendly restaurants which should not contribute to the anti-social alcohol related problems in the area.

We enclose a statement made by our clients' executive chef, Paul Lewis, who is responsible for delivering the MEXIco concept in Wimbledon. The statement illustrates that the restaurant will be a high class operation and, by analogy with the existing MEXIco in Derby, alcohol sales makes up only approximately 15% of total sales.

Our clients feel that they have taken on board the concerns of the Police, the Public Health department, local councilors and the local people and hope that they can work together in order to incorporate a number of their suggestions in order to ensure that the four key licensing objectives continue to be met.

As such we enclose a list of additional proposed conditions to the Premises Licence along with the introduction of a new Condition 3 of Annex 3.

In order to further allay the concerns of any individuals we would like to invite all those who have raised representations to attend a meeting at Chimichanga in Wimbledon in order that we can discuss the contents of this letter and the restaurant concept further. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 8 November 2016 at 6:30pm and we will send out a separate invitation to those who have made representations.

Yours faithfully

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