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Dear Sir

Re:- Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 - 26
Eveline Road, Mitcham. CR4 3LE

On 13th August 2014 an application was received from Mr Leon Thompson for a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003. The application can be summarised as follows:-

Supply of Alcohol Monday to Sunday 0000-0500
Hours open to the Public Monday to Saturday 0000-0500 (Sunday has been
crossed out on the Police copy)

Police wish to make representations on the grounds of the **Prevention of Crime and Disorder.**

The licensable area provided with this application is not clear, however it would appear that it is proposed that the entire premises will be licensed. This house is situated in a residential street on Lavender Fields ward, a short distance from Figge's Marsh. The licensing of a residential house is unprecedented in Merton.

The applicant has been spoken to and he stated that the storage of the alcohol would be mainly in a "lock up" in his garden and his conservatory.

A search of police crime reports has been conducted for a period between 27/2/14 and 27/8/14 on Eveline Road revealed twelve(12) allegations, broken down as follows, Two(2) criminal damage, Two(2) assaults, Three(3) burglaries including One(1) garage burglary, Two(2) theft from motor vehicle, One(1) theft, One(1) motor vehicle interference and One(1) public order offence.

These premises will add to these statistics by the very nature of what is stored and sold.

The applicant proposes to sell alcohol by home delivery between 0000 and 0500. The application states that the "business will promote public safety by encouraging people to drink responsibly at home preventing drink driving and persons on the

street drunk". It is difficult to imagine who is likely to avail themselves of this service between these hours unless they have already been drinking.

A search of police indices for the month of July 2014 revealed in the region Sixty(60) allegations of a domestic nature where one or all parties were under the influence of alcohol. The ability therefore to have more alcohol delivered to the door may well add to this figure and clearly impinges on the **Public Safety** licensing objective

Conclusion

The applicant has made an attempt to show how he will reduce the risk of his business operation, however, it is impossible to put in place enough conditions on this licence application to ensure the licensing objectives are upheld. With this in mind it is asked that this application is rejected.

Yours sincerely,

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Peter Sparham