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The Licensing Authority
London Borough of Lewisham
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Re: Review of Licence -- Mace Stores. 111 Deptford High Street. SE8 4NS

We are responding to the licence review for the above premises and would like to raise a few concerns relating to the sale of alcohol and the problems we have experienced in the area for some time.

Douglas Way Square and the surrounding areas, have had severe problems with Street Drinkers and Anti-Social behaviour. This behaviour has included drunkenness, loud and lewd behaviour, the playing of loud music, dealing/use of drugs, fighting and arguments, street urination, intimidation of local residents and passers-by, especially young women, and other anti-social behaviours. Local residents have got over 90 CAD numbers which shows how distressing and difficult it has been.

With the joint efforts of CERS, SNT, Met Police and local residents, over an extended length of time, matters have improved significantly, however it is still a work in progress. We do not want all the hard work to be undone and the problems to re-escalate.

Whilst we are certainly not saying that all the problems have been caused by Mace Stores, they are the nearest premises which sells alcohol and we have seen a lot of the offenders, going into the shop and coming out having purchased beer and spirits.

We are not seeking a revocation of their licence, however we would like for conditions to be placed to ensure the responsible retailing of alcohol.

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