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Although the licencing application is registered under Owlstone Road, the shed in question is located adjacent to Granchester Street and the suggested retail point (basically a garden gate) opens on to Grantchester Street. This is a residential street in a conservation area with no retail premises in the relevant stretch of the road and where many people sleep at the front of their houses. It is therefore entirely inappropriate for a retail outlet of any kind and, with many young children living in this part of the street, particularly unsuitable for anything that (a) involves increased numbers of van deliveries/collections at any hour and (b) involves unspecified numbers of van movements at all hours of the day and night, seven days a week and (c) potentially noisy clinking of bottles or cans in the middle of the night. It is not clear at all why such broad 'opening hours' are required and these are not mirrored by any other commercial outlet in the Newnham area. Given that these are liquor sales, this constitutes both public nuisance and potential harm to children. Once it becomes known that liquor sales are being made there, it also potentially could attract crime and disorder into a residential area. Given we are still subject to heavy goods vehicles (albeit escorted) going to and from the Queens College construction site in Owlstone Croft, the suggestion of a new commercial endeavour that will increase traffic movements, resident disturbance and potentially increase the risk to young children seems completely inappropriate and is particularly unwelcome. There must be many other sites in Cambridge which would be much more suitable for this endeavour.

Follow up e-mail from rep 1.

Further to my original objection, I have now been contacted by the applicant with more details. I would like to amend my representation as follows:

The information provided describes Luma Spritz as a 'fledgling business' and states 'LUMA Spritz is a very small, newly founded drinks startup company. As the public notice states, the licence is for off-sales only.....The only physical activity is the storage of a small amount of stock — a maximum of around 500 cans, about twenty small trays; a stack the size of a wardrobe. — in the garden shed, and occasional parcel dispatch.' They state that the the Owlstone Road premises will only ever hold a small amount of stock. It should, however, be noted that at Companies House the description of the business is 'Wholesale of wine, beer, spirits and other alcoholic beverages' and, if the application is not

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subject to some fairly stringent restrictions, if successful in this business, there is nothing to say that the applicant could not expand considerably from their opening position. This seems to me very undesirable. To address the specific points:

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder - The additional information confirms that the stock will be held in a garden shed. This is not particularly secure, even if locked, so, if the nature of the product or the volume involved increases as the description of the business at Companies House would allow, the likelihood of attracting unwanted interest and theft to the area must be considerable.

2. Public Safety - Delivery and collection vehicles will be, inevitably, stopping in the street as there is parking only one side and it is habitually taken up by residents. This is not desirable and would block either the pavement or public highway (or both). Given there are also several houses with school age children or younger in residence in this part of the street, there is a particular risk around school drop off and pick up times when they will be walking to and from school. A restriction on hours to prevent this clash of use of the street, as a minimum, would be sensible.

3. Prevention of Public Nuisance - Even with the offered restriction in hours (07.00 - 23.00, 7 days a week), this does not appear reasonable given the nature of the operation, as described. If, as they state, there are only likely to be 1-5 delivery vehicles visiting each week with no more than 500 cans in storage at any one time, I cannot see why a 7 day a week operation is needed, nor why they cannot operate within normal working hours. As a fledgling business, a restriction on delivery and collection hours would drive good operations management which will help to create the measures for success for a larger business if they are successful. Furthermore, Grantchester Street has, for the past nine months, been under constant disruptive, noisy and unwelcome vehicle movements due to the Owlstone Croft development (particularly during the school holidays) and any further increase in deliveries are particularly unwelcome and, until the Croft development is complete, could be a considerable complication. The applicants also state that this is a wholesale business and yet their fuller explanation talks about 'future retail sales' which is worrying in terms of potential intensification of vehicle movements and difficult to understand for a wholesale business. Any expansion of use of this kind should be resisted with appropriate restrictions to any licence.

4. The protection of Children from Harm - please see Public Safety comments above.

In summary, whilst I positively support entrepreneurship and have a commercial background myself, I do not consider Grantchester Street as a residential street in a conservation area is a suitable location for a wholesale business, even if small. Without appropriate restrictions on vehicle movements, consideration of parking matters and more limited hours of operation, I believe this is an unreasonable application. Furthermore, there is a considerable risk of setting a precedent in a residential conservation area which seems very inappropriate.

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The applicants for this licence are our neighbours, who are responsible people with whom we enjoy a very good relationship. We are sure that they do not intend to use the premises in a way that would cause a disturbance to neighbours or to the general public. Their entirely laudable purpose is to help their son to get going with a start-up business selling an alcoholic beverage, Luma Spritz. However, we would like to propose that the hours of the licence should be reduced from 24 hours a day to normal daytime working hours from, say, 08.00 to 17.00 hours. This would be reasonable and appropriate, given that the premises comprise a private residential property in a terraced street in a densely populated, quiet and peaceful residential area. Our support for the application is therefore qualified by this representation.

Follow up representation from rep 2.

Further to our earlier comments and the additional information provided by the applicant, we are making this new representation relating to the licensing objective “The prevention of Public Nuisance.” The applicants for this licence are our neighbours, who are responsible people with whom we enjoy a very good relationship. Their entirely laudable purpose is to help their son, who is based in London, with a start-up business selling an alcoholic beverage, Luma Spritz. We are sure that they do not intend to use the premises in a way that would cause a disturbance to neighbours or to the general public. We support the application on the following conditions to safeguard against the licensed operations being a public nuisance: (1) The hours of operation The concerns we raised in our earlier comments regarding the hours of operation have been addressed in the further information provided by the applicant, who has accepted the condition suggested by Jason Toyne (Senior Technical Officer at Cambridge City Council Licensing) that no deliveries or collections will take place between 23.00-07.00. The applicant has gone further in stating that the operating hours, when

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deliveries will take place, will be: Monday-Friday: 08.00-18.00 Saturday: 09.00-17.00 Sunday: 10.00-16.00 Presumably, these hours will be written into the licence and will override the restriction that will apply from 23.00 to 07.00 hours? If that is the case, we consider the hours of operation to be acceptable. (2) The volume of business As Luma Spritz is a start-up business, it is impossible to predict how much or how quickly it will grow. The applicant expects that into the foreseeable future there would typically be one to five courier collections by van per week, to which need to be added the number of deliveries that will take place. Anything beyond that scale would, we believe, be likely to give rise to a public nuisance to the local community and to the general public, and cause unacceptable obstruction to the highway. Would it be possible for the licence to incorporate a limit on the number of deliveries/collections that would be permitted on a weekly basis? (3) The duration of the licence The proposed premises comprise a garden shed in the back garden of a private residential property on a narrow terraced street with no room for two-way traffic to pass, in a quiet, densely populated residential area. If, as we hope, the business is successful, it will quickly outgrow the capacity of the premises and the access to fulfil business orders. We therefore request that the licence, if granted, is for a finite duration of, say, one year, after which it could be reviewed in the light of Luma Spritz's development as a business and the operation of the licence. Our support for the application is conditional on our concerns being addressed and appropriate conditions being incorporated in the terms of any licence that is issued.