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Dear Vanesha Haulkhory,

Licence application 152252 Blue Zenzer Playgolf Northwick Park 280 Watford road HA1 3TZ

We understand that you are now looking after the application by Blue Zenzer for an extension to their current licence for music and dancing and the sale of alcohol to 2.30am for the basement at Northwick Park Golf Club. They also seek to include the open air service of drinks alongside a children's play facility, presumably this will operate in daylight hours.

Please find attached our earlier letter of objection dated 22.2.2020. We are most concerned that this development is rapidly turning into a nightclub on a site where young people may well be put at risk of molestation with so much open land around.

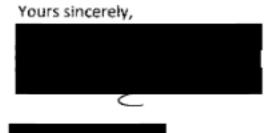
Driving cars out on to the main road by drivers in the early hours, possibly the worse for drink is a public safety hazard for all road users.

Lighting and noise from the site is currently a problem for nearby residents who have every right to peace and quiet in the early hours. It also impinges on Northwick Park Hospital which overlooks the site and where people need rest, not distraction from light and noise. Though they cannot speak up for themselves, the birds and bats and other wildlife that the original plan for the site sought to:

encourage will be affected too by noise and light pollution.

We received, just before lockdown, a circular advertising the children's attraction as if it was already open, apparently pre-empting any enquiry! We do urge more effective oversight by the Council of the situation when the site re-opens.

Please bring all our objections to the notice of the relevant committee.







Dear Mr Patel,

Licensing Act 2003 – Premises Variation application

Re. Blue Zenzer Playgoif Northwick Park – 280 Watford road, HA1 3TZ Reference 18388 Application to extend the current licence No 1276

We have been interested in activities at the driving range since the early days of its development. It does seem that with this application the original plan for food and drink to be ancilliary to the golf course has been overlooked.

We understand that Blue Zenzer, the current owners of the Driving Range and Visitor Centre at Northwick Park have applied for an extension to their licence for music and dancing and the sale of alcohol. They appear to wish to extend the basement area covered by this licence and to include outdoor areas, as well as extending their hours of operation to 2.30am.

Such extensions would appear to develop the site into a nightclub. It is not clear to us how these activities are ancilliary to golf. Rather than attracting the sporting community this nightclub would attract a very different clientele.

Many of the users of the golf club facility quite properly arrive by car. However, the licence extension proposed might well involve drivers leaving in the early hours the worse for drink, driving out on to a main road which always carries a great deal of traffic.

Furthermore, it is a matter of concern that the terms of the present lease are not currently properly complied with by the management. We would urge greater supervision by Brent Council to ensure compliance with the terms of the present lease before even considering any extension.

A nightclub on a site with much open land around it presents a risky environment for young people seeking an evening out.

Local residents will also to be adversely affected by the noise and light pollution which result from such late night activities.

We strongly oppose this application and urge Brent Council not only to reject it but also to actively supervise compliance with the terms of the present lease.

Yours sincerely,



