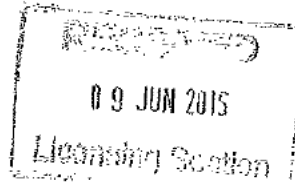


# APPENDIX D



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The Licensing Officer  
Jubilee Stores  
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Dear Sir/Madam

**Reference to Licence Application No: 049296**

The El Patron Londres is situated next to the Minster in St. Thomas Square and both are listed buildings. The Minster is a Grade 1 listed building and of national significance with the Royal Family closely involved in its life.

The proposal for Astro turf or fencing is inappropriate because of the limitations it would cause for the use of St Thomas Square. Island Roads have occasions through the year when they ask for the area to be clear. Such occasions would be Remembrance Day, Parades and large occasional services. In particular, I would point to funerals and parades where the Square is fenced to allow the public to gather in an organised manner. This proposal also restricts access to the Post Box.

We cannot agree that white picket fencing OR Astro turf are in keeping with the ambience of the Square. This is an historic jewel of the Island and the suggestion that astro turf and fencing is in keeping is ridiculous. The arrangement made by "Nosh" another establishment reflect a continental ambience that is high quality and portable. It is sensitive to the needs of all who use the Square and could be replicated by Le Patron.

The area in which the proposed furniture along with Astro turf and fencing would be situated would seriously encroach on the access to the Licensed Farmer's Market, which is held every Friday and is a well-established part of Newport life.

We would like to register our strong objection to this application and commend our alternative proposal. We note the legal requirement to consult us was not actioned so we would also object on the legal ground of a failure to consult.

Yours faithfully

  
Reverend Kevin Arkell.

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