Representation Form

Premises: Fig, 5 The Shambles, Bradford On Avon BA15 1JS

Name:

Address

Contact tel:

An Individual

Licensing Objectives Pertains to all

Evidence

I write in support of the application. Children are in danger, public nuisance is likely to occur with opportunity for crime, and the public are unsafe if nightlife is stifled in small towns like Bradford on Avon. Anyone currently who feels vulnerable and walks down the Shambles after dusk will know this part of town is dead and if anything happened they would be completely alone. A vibrant evening economy as of the sort proposed by Fig will help ensure that BoA is populated after dark which is the best medicine against anti-social behaviour etc. The premise is in the very centre of town and is therefore well-placed for such an establishment which is by its nature unlikely to become a haven for bad behaviour; indeed it is most likely to have the opposite effect and make this part of BoA more safe.

Signature 31.8.24

Please note it would be helpful if the form on your website ise modified so it allows competition online.

**Subject:** PR202407-509613 Premise Licence Application - Fig, 5 The Shambles, Bradford on Avon BS25 1IS

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I write in support of the above application which I believe will add to the diversity of eating and drinking options in Bradford on Avon. The opportunity to purchase deli items will be welcomed as will a wine bar to contrast with public houses. There is no other business here offering this combination.

Over recent years the central Deli and Wine Bar have closed and they are very much missed. Their location was a few yards away from the Shambles. This new business will be covering aspects of both businesses and I believe this meets the needs of the town's residents and visitors and will be a successful, viable, business, run by people with the appropriate skills to ensure that public nuisance potential is eliminated.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

I believe that there is a positive impact to having a business open in the Shambles in the evenings. When I walk home at night I sometimes walk down the main road to ensure there are others/vehicles around, instead of going through the Shambles which is generally empty on the evenings. Having people present there would make me feel safer going through the Shambles.

I am told that it is NOT the intention to have the business open EVERY night but that the licence to cover every day is required in order to be able to open for special events on requested days.

The neighbouring businesses which have alcohol licences (DandyLion, Stumble Inn, Pablo's and Bunch of Grapes) have far more residential accommodation nearby and in closer proximity and these do not seem to present public nuisance problems. In addition, loud and late events held in Lambs Yard are permitted. A possible mitigation may be to close one evening a week eg Sunday. In a tourist town, bringing considerable sums of money into the area, we need a variety of options for eating and drinking and this business is clearly a different and attractive idea.

Having a vacant premise on the main shopping area in town, as is now the case, is detrimental to the appeal to tourists.

A local person, already contributing greatly to catering for visitors and residents, in their current business near the Tithe Barn, who wants to bring more employment opportunities, having returned to her home town, should not be discouraged from attempting to meet a local need.

Kind regards

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