

July 21, 2017

RE: Safety and security in the ByWard Market

For immediate release: July 4th, some members of the LCA met with Nathalie Des Rosiers concerning safety and security in and around the ByWard market. The LCA is asking for the following from our MPP:

- a) A review of the AGCO's powers under the Liquor License Act to determine how it might take into account broader issues, such as the impact on the well-being of the community, in determining license eligibility. This could include, for example, the concentration of bars or licensed seats as one criterion.

- b) A new study on the impacts of alcohol consumption on public health and safety in the ByWard Market arising from a concentration of bars in one area.

- c) An explanation from the AGCO on what constitutes a well operated bar vs an inappropriately operated bar and what the process is for removing liquor licenses from badly operated bars. We wish to create a toolkit to share with residents who can use it to make more effective complaints to eliminate badly operated bars in their neighbourhoods.

Present at the meeting were:

Peter Ferguson, Co-Chair LCA Planning Committee

CC: Thierry Harris, LCA VP

Sylvie Grenier, LCA Member

Robert Tritt, LCA Member