Sweet Outcomes Ltd dba Mindoro 1,Westlegate, Norwich, NR1 3LT 06 March 2019

Public Protection (Licensing)

Norwich City Council

Dear Committee Members,

Ref 19/00193/TABCHA

This refers to our application to place tables and chairs on the Highway outside our business premises.

Firstly we would like to thank all the local authorities that have raised no objection and /or supported our application, namely, NCC Highways ,Norfolk Constabulary, Norfolk Fire.

Secondly we have received overwhelming support from our customers many of whom live within walking distance of Mindoro. Almost without exception they have commented that the creation of an outside eating area will bring a vibe to the street, enhancing both the area and their dining experience.

From our perspective the company has invested around £300,000.00 in the enterprise and leased the premises in the expectation that we would be able to create an all fresco dining area on a street which has been pedestrianised with the aim of enhancing the city centre and making the area more user friendly. It is our intention in future with the permissions of our Landlord and the Planning Authority to install a retractable awning to cover the proposed seating and thus further enhance the ambience and the attractiveness of Mindoro as a premium dining destination.

We respect to the views of Mr.O Leary but reducing the the number of tables and the width of the area will not accomplish our aim but will rather appear an afterthought to "chuck a couple of tables outside," a dated concept. From Westlegate Towers it is possible to walk down the street with no obstruction on the same side as Tesco Express without crossing. There are the multiple crossing points on St Stephens Street where access to traffic has been restricted and speeds strictly controlled.

Within Mindoro we have made every effort to ensure that access is easy for those with reduced physical capabilities, customers using wheelchairs and mobility scooters as well as mothers with push chairs. Our customers often comment on this ease of access.

We request that the application of Sweet Outcomes Ltd dba Mindoro be granted as submitted.

