

APPENDIX D

Hi there,

I recently became aware of an application from Carioca Emporium Ltd of 88 Clarendon Road to extend their license for the sale of alcohol and playing of music to 3am Monday to Saturday.

They currently have a license til 11pm and that's already caused a public nuisance and an increase in disorder. They've frequently had to be asked to turn the music down at 11 because they go over the time limit. They do it quickly, so I've never made a formal complaint to the council, but it shows that they are non-compliant to their current license. There's also been an uptick in anti-social behaviour. I can't walk past there in the evening because the pavement is full of people who have spilled out and are drunk and rowdy. I have to cross the road.

There have been altercations and scuffles, and I think it's only a matter of time before the police are called.

And finally, the noise pollution is extraordinary. They're very nice people, and I love the music they play and the performers that they have, it's gorgeous music. But the premises simply isn't appropriate for their proposal. *It used to be a betting shop*. It's a tiny, one room place, with a glass frontage and no soundproofing. The door opens straight into the street so there's no way of baffelling the sound. And they leave the door open pretty much the whole time anyway because people are always in and out (and mostly standing on the pavement because it's too small inside).

It's a lovely business. Lovely people. But they need a bigger place that is properly fitted out for the kind of bar they clearly want to run. Because of the way it's set up they actually produce *more noise* than the big moonlight club across the roundabout.

I strongly object.

many thanks
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