

APPENDIX C

Support for Licensing review SBK Brunch Klub Elm Grove Southsea.

From Karen Fricker [REDACTED]

I have lived in my current house for 30 years and have seen the premises currently housing SBK in many guises. I had never had reason to complain about the anti social behaviour and disturbing noise and public nuisance from any other establishment. Since the opening of this "Klub" I have made over 10 complaints to varying organisations including Steve Hudson and there is no improvement.

Every Saturday and Sunday night I have to relocate my bedroom to evade the noise of drunken shrieking and abusive people outside SBK, people milling around St Peter's Grove and not leaving until 3.00am.

I have witnessed girls passed , sitting in the gutters abusing staff in the local co op for refusing to sell them alcohol, people urinating and vomiting not only in my garden but other peoples too .

There has to be a causal link to the change we as residents have experienced since April 2023.

Taxi's regularly double park and minibuses cause hazardous traffic conditions letting out groups of up to 8 people on the junction between St Peter's Grove and Elm Grove. Clients blocking the pavement outside the Klub causing the public to step into the road to pass them.

We have had countless reassurance from Steve Hudson that things will change.

"The premises is not going to change in character. it's primary focus is on food"

"There have been some issues but they are very few and far between"

Steve Hudson from Evening News article by Josh Wright 10.10.23 At the last review the sub committee had repeated reassurance that SBK's intention was to operate as a restaurant and Councillor Stuart Brown said he was keen to support and endorse a successful restaurant. This is not a restaurant it is a club catapulted into a residential area causing high levels of distress to many, many people. Why did the sub committee not know how many times the police had been called at their review?

I quote Sam Wellington last manager of SBK who was interviewed by Sophie Lewis of The News when SBK opened.

"The benefit of being a new club is that you can do what you want with it"

This venture which glamorises intoxicating binge drinking is a club and it's Instagram and face book posts will certainly endorse this.

I sincerely hope that you have a more enlightened committee to assess the licensing application this time in order to stop the public nuisance and threat to public safety which this establishment causes.

Regards

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