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Representation 1

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My understanding is that the current business is operating under a license issued in 2005 and is now under review.

14 Lismore road was converted from an office to 6 flats with owners, tenants, moving in December 2017 and early January 2018.

Since Mr Singh acquired the property in May 2021? and converted it into a bar disco the situation has become unbearable, with loud music and rowdiness from the outside area going on well past midnight.

I have had to move out of the master bedroom due to the noise levels and family and friends refuse to stay.

These bar venues along Bolton road are converted old Victorian buildings not designed or sound proofed to today's standards to effectively insulate powerful commercial sound systems. The high watts and low frequency base is the problem.

The local demographics has changed aswell, since 2018.

14 Lismore road, now 6 flats,

10 Bolton road, was a doctors surgery, now in the process of being converted into 9 flats,

7b Bolton road converted into 6 flats.

In my view the building at 8 Bolton road is not fit for purpose for this type of business run as disco/ night club with its main revenue earnings generated between 9pm to 2am. Next Door is registered at companies house as a licensed restaurant. Run as such would not cause the current nightmare the residence have to endure. The current license arrangement does not work as Mr Singh continuously turns the volume up at will. The noise patrols are limited and unable to monitor the situation to a level guaranteeing the residence the peace they are entitled too. Instead the buck is passed back to us and instructed to use the noise app, no feed back is given and hence non the wiser. In addition it appears the app does not accurately reflect the effects and disturbed caused by the continuous low level frequencies generated, have on the ears and mind. Clearly one can't continue like this.

In order to resolve the issue in the long term the review of the licence should bring forward the music cut off time and clear out of customers in the out side area to 11pm as Mr Singh is clearly unable to stick to any agreement.

Under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, for noise to count as a statutory nuisance – defined as unreasonable and substantially interfere with the use or enjoyment of a home, hence It is my view that the current license for the premises of 8 Bolton road is denying me my legal right to live in peace, which clearly is the case. The current situation is unacceptable and the new terms of the license needs to take into account the change in demographics, the social well being of the local residence and the long term psychological

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effects of noise pollution. In addition should I wish to sell my property, the night time disturbance caused by the said venue will get red flagged and hence affect the value.

Kind regards,

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Representation 2

FAO: Licensing Officer
Re licensing review.
Next door bar
8 Bolton road
Eastbourne bn21 3jx

I would like to draw your attention to the problems residents have been having since Mr Singh bought a restaurant and converted it into a late night music bar. Mr Singh knew when he bought it, residential properties adjoin the side and rear of his property - REDACTED haven't just appeared out of nowhere. The outside patio under a flimsy pergola, and rear garden are being used as customer drinking areas. Because of the excessive volume of music that emanates from the bar as a result of the side and rear doors being kept open, and a lack of adequate soundproofing within the building, customers are having to shout to be heard due to the relentless pounding of music. Eastbourne council are encouraging change of use from commercial to residential properties in this area The former Doctors surgery 10 Bolton road is being converted to multiple flats. Is it right/acceptable that incoming residents are being subjected to excessive noise harassment?

If the panel would consider a restriction on outside drinking times to 11pm, that would certainly be beneficial - but as the building is not fit for the purpose it's being used for, noise pollution will continue to be the bane of local residents lives.

Yours faithfully
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NEXT DOOR, BOLTON ROAD, EASTBOURNE BN21 3JX
PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

To whom it may concern

With reference to the bar known as NEXT DOOR and the notice attached to the premises on 26th April 2022.

Since the 17th May 2021 and what is now known as 'Freedom Day' this bar has consistently been a contentious issue for residents within close proximity and whose properties overlook the side and rear of the above mentioned bar.

For almost a year, we have had to endure loud music, noisy customers on an almost nightly basis without any consideration to others. The owner Mr Singh, despite having been spoken to on several occasions and warning notices issued, appears to be a law unto himself and continues to do as he pleases regardless.

With this area changing and more domestic properties appearing, ie the former Doctors Surgery at 10 Bolton Road, currently undergoing works to convert to nine domestic dwellings. Not to mention others in Bolton Road above all three bars in this area and on the opposite side of the road.

I note that the licence for 8 Bolton Road (Next Door) was originally issued in 2005!

Seventeen years later and this has not been reviewed in keeping with the ever changing demographics of the area.

Is this bar a bar? Night club (as it appears to trade as one)? Or will it ever be the restaurant that Mr Singh stated it would be?

What I would like to see is that the outside area is closed from 22:00 hours with a cut off point of 23:00 and all doors closed to decrease the disturbances we have endured for so long now.

On a personal level, this constant and selfish behaviour from this premises are having a serious impact on my mental health, I am on medication to help with the stress and anxiety all of this is causing. There is only so much a person can take and we REDACTED have certainly had to deal with more than anyone could probably cope with.

Whilst I do not wish for any business to be shut down, I would like to see agreeable compromises made and most certainly from Mr Singh.

Whilst I continue to report via the Noise App, I do not feel that this accurately reflects exactly what we are hearing and how disruptive it all is.

One can only hope for a sensible and agreeable conclusion.

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FAO: Licensing officer
Re- Licensing review
Next Door Bar
8 Bolton road
Eastbourne
Bn21 3jx

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Mr Singh has caused local residents immense disruption and distress with noise pollution since he opened.

When Mr Singh bought the property he knew that there were residential properties close by with 9 more coming with council approval. It's awful that when he changed it from a restaurant to a full on night club he didn't feel it necessary to soundproof the windows - particularly the large 2 side ones that face REDACTED that have only been covered internally for decor / as well as the doors and skylights Even when Mr Singh extended the pergola at the side - there are large open gaps between the roof beams - and the supporting structure that faces REDACTED is only a generic garden fence. There is absolutely no protection from his noise spill. As REDACTED has already stated, the last review was in 2005. I sincerely hope that the panel can view the property so they can fully appreciate my concern that the building as it is- is not fit for the purpose Mr Singh is using it for, and take that into account. I feel 11pm is more than reasonable as a cut off time to have the outside areas and doors closed.

Regards.
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