

**PARTY 1**

**From:**

**Sent:** Saturday, January 15, 2022 1:05 PM

**To:** Regen, Licensing <[Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Staffordshire CIC – application for grant of Premises Licences under the Licensing Act 2003

With reference to the above application (for use at the premises known as Staffordshire Street Studios, 47-49 Staffordshire Street, London, SE15 5TJ), we would like to express the following concerns:

(a) The location is directly opposite and extremely close (under 9 meters property to property) to our house, which is on a very quiet and peaceful one way residential street.

(b) When events have been held there in the past with amplified music, the sound carries and is clearly audible inside our house. We have concerns about the current sound insulation of the venue and therefore its suitability for music events.

(c) The business's outdoor area (for smoking etc) has always become the street and pavement in front of the venue. People spill out to over the road and even on to our side of the pavement to smoke and drink. On occasion even blocking access to our gate. We are concerned with the layout of the front of the building as the brick wall enclosing the area has two big open entrances which inevitably people move out from onto the road.

(d) Broken bottles is a big problem in our street and we regularly pick up broken glass. We are concerned this problem could increase as it has been an issue after previous events.

(e) The application has not been socialised with two new neighbours moving in shortly, which are located next door and one door down from us.

We would be grateful if you could consider our concerns before granting the licence.

Regards

## **PARTY 2**

**From:**

**Sent:** Thursday, January 20, 2022 10:45 PM

**To:** Regen, Licensing <[Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Opposition to Premises Licence Application - 876443

Dear Officers,

I am writing to register my opposition to premise application licence number 876443.

I live at Staffordshire Street, SE15 My property is 47-49 Staffordshire Street to which the application relates to.

I am concerned that an regulated entertainment licence coupled with a sale of alcohol on the premises will increase anti-social behaviour right outside our house. When events are held on the premises under its current licence, it results of groups of people gathering outside on the street pavement outside our homes smoking, drinking and having sometimes loud conversations. Granting the premises a licence to sell alcohol on site will make this worse.

I have personally raised this concern with the management but based on their response and the fact that they can't control people outside of the premises they control, I am strongly of the view that the licence should be refused. The premises in question does not have external area where patrons can go for fresh air hence they use the pavements and sit outside the front of our house to socialise, smoke and drink.

In an event in October 2020 for instance the premises without any notice to residents held a Dance competition on the premises which attracted a large number of people. Groups of them at different times made their way into communal area of our estate which is private to smoke and to socialise. I can't ascertain what was being smoked by them but the pungent smell made it very uncomfortable to keep the windows open on what was a warm day. If these type of events increase in frequency, it would not be a stretch for parts of the area to turn into drug dealing hotspots and associated crime. I have 3 young children as do other residents within the estate and would not want to expose them to such behaviours right inside the comfort of their home

Additionally in December, a late evening event brought a large number gathered right across the street with people sprawling literally outside our doorsteps. The road is a way street but that didn't stop some in cars to park or wait on streets with engine running in some instances outside our homes.

There are several other event spaces already existing in Peckham that have the outside space to cater for entertainment within its compound. Granting this permit will ruin what is generally a calm and quiet street for families.