

**APPENDIX C
OTHER PERSON A**

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 4, 2022 3:39 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: Licence application 876752 Trading name and address: Carolina Bar and Lounge 1st Floor, Arch 145 Eagle Yard Hampton Street SE1 6SP

Background to my objections

I am resident of Draper Estate and live about 100 yards from premises. I am also a member of draper tenants and residents association.

The tenants on the estate have really suffered in the last 6 months from anti social behaviour from licensed premises in Maldonado walk. Including myself.

This has included fights outside premises, numerous instances of people shouting and playing loud music in cars when leaving premises. Then in July 2022 we had a very serious stabbing incident. This culminated in a murder happening in one of licence arches in November 2021. Even on Christmas Day 2021 there was a serious fights between various men outside of an establishments with police attending.

Police quite often attend premises because of fights.

This a general objection to another licence premises in Maldonado walk because of all the problems we are having with alcohol licences premises already here. We do not want any further problems by having another licences premises.

Crime and disorder

On so many numerous occasions, I have seen people taking drugs outside the various establishments.

I have witnessed on numerous occasions people leaving the establishments and having verbal arguments while extremely drunk.

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We have had a serious stabbing and murder related to arches premises.

Anti social behaviour

We had people from arches premises letting off large industrial style fireworks in the car park in November. This nearly caused a major fire in our block because of close proximity of fireworks to our block.

On so many numerous occasions I have been woken up by people, shouting and arguing with each other while leaving the premises.

On numerous occasions, I have seen the door men stand by, while people were standing outside smoking and shouting and laughing creating nuisance and anti social behaviour. The door men never intervene to stop this.

On numerous occasions, I have seen men urinating after leaving the club behind the crossways church.

I was told by another witness that the chef came out of one arches premises and urinated outside.

On numerous occasions, I have seen and heard, music emanating from persons cars who have left arches and getting into their cars parked outside of clubs/arches. Then, sitting for long periods of time with music on high volume.

Health and safety

On numerous occasions, I have seen men urinating after leaving the club. The area stinks of urine behind Crossways church.

People on the estate fear for their safety when arches are open because the area has become a centre for crime and anti social behaviour, since various arches have been given alcohol licences.

Protection of children from harm

The constant noise and anti social behaviour from arches, is making difficult for children to sleep at night, I have been told by neighbours.

For the sake of our health and safety please can you reject another alcohol licence in an extremely small area at the back of our estate.

They have got absolutely no respect for the local residents and have made no attempt whatsoever to contact the local community to liaise with us re any problems.

I also urge the committee, see photos of area which show the very close proximity of arches to residential areas, and consider a saturation policy for immediate area. Strictly limiting licensing hours for this area of Eagle Yard/ Maldonado walk.

If you feel that alcohol licence can be granted-

please restrict to serving alcohol with a substantial meal.

License to midnight at weekend.

That owners must actively move people away from premises after leaving away from residential area.

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Wednesday 2 March 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: licence application 876752

I write in connection with the application by Carolina Bar & Lounge for a new premises licence.

I object to the application, primarily in connection with the third licensing objective: namely, the prevention of public nuisance.

I live in Draper House. My flat is on the first floor, directly opposite the premises which is on the other side of the servicing yard at the rear of the Strata SE1 tower.

I have lived at this address for more than seven years.

In recent years - especially during the summer months - I have been disturbed on multiple occasions by noise associated with late night activity at the venues in the arches on Maldonado Walk (aka Eagle Yard).

The noise sometimes comes from patrons gathered outside having loud conversations and disputes with raised voices, and sometimes from staff dealing with rubbish - including bottles - after the premises have closed.

The acoustic qualities of the space mean that even when customers are standing directly next to the railway arches, noise travels across the yard and causes a disturbance to neighbouring residents.

Licensing sub-committees convened by the council have in the past 18 months considered several applications relating to premises in Eagle Yard / Maldonado Walk, and have revoked two licences.

Whereas some of the other premises are shielded from their neighbours by Crossway Church, Carolina Bar & Lounge's premises opens directly onto the servicing yard, so the impact of the behaviour of people leaving the venue is felt directly by residents in Draper House and Wollaston Close (both part of the Draper Estate) and the Strata tower.

When making a decision on this application, the council should be aware that the Carolina Bar & Lounge is directly above another licensed premises (Chaqueño Grill).

I have been in contact three times (in 2019, 2020 and 2021) with the North Walworth councillors regarding the problems with noise from venues under the railway arches, and have made representations on several licensing and planning applications.

More recently, residents from the Draper Estate and Strata have been cooperating to respond to the problems caused by customers at the Maldonado Walk venues, most notably Corporacion Ponce (in the adjacent arch to the one subject to this application).

The murder that took place in one of the arches in December 2021 has focussed the attention of the police and various council departments on the issues in Maldonado Walk, and renewed the resolve of residents to seek a constructive and harmonious relationship with our business neighbours, with give and take on both sides.

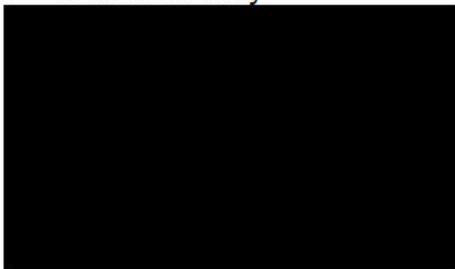
I would ask the council to set suitable conditions on the licence to protect the amenity of residential neighbours. These should include a formal dispersal policy (similar to the requirement on neighbouring licences) which should consider the cumulative impact of dispersing customers from all the venues in Maldonado Walk, including the restaurant directly below this one.

As residents, our primary issue is with the way that customers disperse (or fail to disperse) from the premises, rather than with nuisance from what takes place inside the venue.

For neighbouring venues, conditions as to the times at which rubbish can be processed and placed outside have been imposed by the council, and I would ask that this is also considered here.

Please keep me updated on the progress of this application. I would like to attend any sub-committee meeting.

Yours sincerely



OTHER PERSON C

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 10:29 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to #876752

06/03/2022

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

My name is [REDACTED] and I object to the opening hours requested by the premises #876752.

My objection relates to the licensing objective for the prevention of nuisance.

The reason being that as has previously happened in the past in those premises and some of its neighbouring ones, people drinking in those premises come out late at night, speaking, laughing loudly and also often shouting as well as playing music from cars loudly. The premises found under these archways that offer drinks also choose to empty their glass bottles in the bin late at night after their customers have left. This has happened on several occasions late at night (11pm and even later than 11pm). I am not the only one who is suffering from poor sleep due to these antisocial behaviours. Many people living close in Draper House, the Strata and Wollaston Close have their sleep affected by people coming out of these premises.

OTHER PERSON D

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 4, 2022 7:15 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: Carolina bar and lounge application 876752

I write regarding the license application for Carolina bar and lounge. To grant this application would continue the appalling social disturbances on the Draper estate that have blighted our estate ever since the premises opened there. Please do not grant this application as all those businesses below the arches encourage and invite the worst of society to act simply as they see fit, with total disregard to the residents who live here. The endless disturbance and the need for a regular police presence must surely be enough of a signal that these type of businesses should not be encouraged anywhere in Southwark.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

OTHER PERSON E

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 4:38 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: objection to license 876752

Monday 7th March 2022

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the current licence application for the following:

Carolina Bar and Lounge
1st Floor, Arch 145 Eagle Yard Hampton Street
SE1 6SP
Licence number: 876752

The reasons are as follows:

I live a few metres from the above mentioned venue and Maldonado walk. In the last few years, the antisocial behaviour in the area has become progressively worse with little done by the premises to contain this.

prevention of crime and disorder and public safety

At present, the 100m pedestrian walk has already four or five premises licensed to sell alcohol with live and or recorded music. Similar premises next to the applicant's venue have been attracting considerable amount of people, causing nuisance (for example shouting outside my window at inconvenient hours, not just at the weekend but throughout the week). Many residents had to endure spontaneous parties outside their windows or at worst, loud fights. These gatherings often happened and still happen after closing hours, with the knowledge of the premises' management and despite conditions that should prevent this from happening. Several reports have been filed by local residents to the noise team as well as the police and anti-social behaviour team.

I have seen punters being allowed to regularly leave premises with drinks in cups (I have several videos and photographs documenting this), further encouraging anti-social behaviour. One of the venues had a two stabbings, one of which fatal. Another venue would worsen the already unbearable situation and it is not needed by the community as there are already several venues next to it providing the same service.

prevention of public nuisance

Vandalism has been noted in the immediate adjacent area, including the Crossway Church; I often witness people freely urinating outside my window. There is now widespread of littering and food waste along **Maldonado** Walk and often see broken bottles on the ground in the morning.

Furthermore, I'm concerned about the brevity of the conditions.

No condition is set to a limit of people smoking outside, no condition of limiting the amount of people inside the premises, no condition of having security at the door (considering the stabbing, this feels shortsighted) and no condition asking the premises to keep a record of complaints and incidents. No mention of posters advising people to leave considerably and no dispersal policy indicated. I'm also concerned about the late opening on a Sunday: people have a right to rest and be ready to function on a Monday morning (I have to get up at 6 am, for example). Closing at midnight on a Sunday means people dispersing loudly until 1am and that's not good enough.

The local residents are already suffering due to the nuisance caused by current venues. Additional licences further worsen the frankly current intolerable conditions in what is largely a residential area.

Your sincerely,

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OTHER PERSON F

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 8:02 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: Application council ref 876752

To whom it may concern,

I [REDACTED] vehemently oppose the application 876752 on the grounds that the neighbourhood has had already enough trouble with such venues including a RECENT MURDER. We already have to put up with the existing clubs and bars and their horrendous and noisy behaviour. Drugs are sold on a daily basis right under our noses and you close an eye to it. How much longer before the next murder?

Talking about the application with my fellow neighbours many said that they will refrain to write or oppose because obviously we have to disclose our name and addresses to oppose to it. Then

I simply cannot understand how the Council can even consider the opening of such a venue, specially because of the noise and bad behavior of punters leaving the premises. Saturday and Friday we will have to endure this till 1am and past it.

I am appalled by their courage to propose this.

Truly

[REDACTED]

OTHER PERSON G

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:43 PM
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Subject: objection to Licence application 876752 Trading name and address:
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1st Floor, Arch 145 Eagle Yard Hampton Street SE1 6SP

(from [REDACTED]
LONDON 07/03/2022)

objection

I am resident of STRATA and live next to the premises and my widows are overlooking the yard where the entrance to the establishment is located

The tenants at the Strata, Draper House and surrounding estate have really suffered in the last 6 months from anti social behaviour from licensed premises in Maldonado walk. Including myself.

This has included fights outside premises, numerous instances of people shouting and playing loud music in cars when leaving premises. Then in July 2021 we had a very serious stabbing incident. This culminated in a murder happening in one of licence arches in December 2021. Even on Christmas Day 2021 there was a serious fights between various men outside of an establishments with police attending. In January 14th we had a firework released for 3 min in close proximity of the church and STRATA and gathering on the yard of more than 100 people. this lasted for 4 hrs, with loud music, cannabis smoking and live fireworks.

Police quite often attend premises because of fights.

This a general objection to another licence premises in Maldonado walk because of all the problems we are having with alcohol licences premises already here. We do not want any further problems by having another licences premises.

Crime and disorder

On so many numerous occasions, I have seen

- people taking drugs outside the various establishments.
- people leaving the establishments and having verbal arguments while extremely drunk.
- people completely drunk and completely incapable of walking because of the amount of alcohol they have consumed.
- patrons coming out of the establishments and urinating next to Strata or the church, then going back to the venues or heading home

Anti social behaviour

We had people from arches premises letting off large industrial style fireworks in the car park in January. This nearly caused a major fire in our block because of close proximity of fireworks to our block.

On so many numerous occasions

- I have been woken up by people, shouting and arguing with each other while leaving the premises.
- I have seen security of the venues not intervene to any nuisance and anti social behaviour and allowing patrons to drink drinks from the venues outside
- I have seen men urinating during the venue opening times and after leaving the club behind the crossways church and Strata. I suspect it is easier for them to do it outside then use the inadequate number of toilets on the premisses
- i have also witnessed that the chef came out of one arches premises and urinated outside.
- I have seen and heard, music emanating from persons cars who have left arches and getting into their cars parked outside of clubs/arches. Then, sitting for long periods of time with music on high volume.

Health and safety

- due to the area being used as a toilet after Friday, Saturday and Sunday night long opening hrs the area behind the church and Strata stinks of urine
- after eventful nights the yard is covered with empty broken bottles that could be harmful to children, passers by or cars

People on the estate fear for their safety when arches are open because the area has become a centre for crime and anti social behaviour, since various arches have been given alcohol licences.

Local businesses have made no attempt to contact the local community to liaise with us re any problems.

Protection of children from harm

The constant noise and anti social behaviour from arches, is making difficult for children to sleep at night, we have numerous families in Strata facing the yard that are struggling to have their children asleep at decent hrs on the weekends.

I would like to ask to:

- reject another alcohol licence in an extremely small area at the back of our estate.
 - the committee to see photos of area which show the very close proximity of arches to residential areas, and consider a saturation policy for immediate area. Strictly limiting licensing hours for this area of Eagle Yard/ Maldonado walk.
 - if granted - restrict to serving alcohol with a substantial meal.
 - if granted - License to midnight at weekend.
 - to demand that that owners must actively move people away from premises after leaving away from from residential area.
- (i have only seen it once - when arch 144 was closed by police due to braking the covid rules)

KInd Regards, [REDACTED]