APPENDIX E

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Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 6:52 PM To: Regen, Licensing < Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk > Subject: Response to licensing application
Hello I would like to register my opposition to the attached.
I am the owner of which is above this property and would not welcome the additional noise this will create.
I strongly oppose this.
Thank you

From:

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 4:47 PM

To: Regen, Licensing < <u>Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk</u>>

Subject: NRepresentation for new premises licence for Tasty Africa (57-59 Camberwell

Road, SE5 0EZ)

Dear sir/madam,

I wish to echo the exact sentiments as my partner, as below, given ghat i live in the same flat and have experienced the same issues:

I wish to oppose the new premises licence for Tasty Africa.

Firstly I wish to draw to the attention of the licensing team, areas in which this new licence would not meet the licensing objectives as set out in the statement of licensing policy (2021-2026) document.

1. Prevention of crime and disorder

Since Tasty Africa has been open, there have been a few Friday and Saturday nights, where the premises have been open, serving alcohol and playing loud music well past the stated licensed hours.

Of particular note was the night of the Saturday 17th June/Morning Sunday 18th June. The restaurant had an event, no TEN in place, with no responsible manager present. Loud music transmitting through to the flats in the block, people drinking outside with glassware. On that occasion, I tried to speak with the responsible manager/owner, who was not present. Due to the disturbance, and anti-social behaviour, and being unable to enter the premises to ask for the music to be turned down. On this occasion, I was forced to call the police, due to the antisocial behaviour, no one responsible on the site to speak to and that the area became unsafe to be in. I did eventually get through to the owner, who was apologetic, but the fact remains that there there is the potential for the the licensing hours to be breached, with no requirements in the licence provision to prevent that from happening again, such as having security at the door to prevent customers from being on the street with glass (danger to the public) and to prevent drunkenness and anti-social behaviour. Furthermore, on that occasion, it did not appear that there was anyone to check ID, with the potential for underage drinking.

2. Ensuring public safety

As stated above, there is no provision or mention of licensed security. While there may not be have been such extremes examples since that period, it does make me feel unsafe walking in that area at night time, especially if open later, where people are more likely to be drink, with lack of control of their actions when outside the premises, or control of if glass or bottles are taken outside.

3. Prevention of public nuisance

Frequently on Friday and Saturday nights, when there is music being played, the level is loud enough that it is transmitted through the building of flats, and is audible within the flats. Extending the opening hours will only worsen this, preventing enjoyment of their homes, as well as being unable to sleep. From personal experience, this has happened on more than 3 occasions, on Friday/Saturday nights when I have been around between October to December. I have had to go down to the premises and ask for the music to be reduced. In fairness they have turned it down when asked, but I note that there is no control of this, such as a noise limiter device being used. Furthermore, from the statements and licence review of Southbank Nightclub/ La Estacion - the statements made by the owner highlighted that during the re-fit of the commercial premises that Tasty Africa resides in, the soundproofing and insulation was removed, thus worsening any sound insulation between the restaurant and the residential flats above.

Also of significant note is the hours that the restaurant has been operating through until. No TEN have been given (when checked online and around the area), yet music is played well after midnight. Despite this not being part of the current licence, it has continued, and I have raised this with the owner who said that it is (which is clearly not the case as they have applied for a new licence extending the hours to 01:00 on weekends). If that was occurring when the licensable activity was only meant to be to 23:00, there is a significant risk that the restaurant will be operating until after the applied hours. Given the history, and that this has been going on, it serves as a significant warning that it is likely to continue, breaching the licensing terms. (as it has continually done for over the last half-year).

4. Protection of children from harm

As aforementioned, lack of security can prevent underage individuals from entering the premises, plus with glasses and bottles permitted outside, there can be danger to anyone from injury through either antisocial behaviour, as well broken glass that could be around the area.

I wish to highlight some other aspects from the licensing policy that are worth considering in respect to this license.

Location and other relevant considerations:

The location of the premises is within a primarily residential area, underneath multiple flat, in an old victorian building. Music being played easily transmits through to the flats above, as extensively evidenced in the licence review of Southbank nightclub, with statements from multiple flats, and continual calls to the noise and nuisance teams. The biggest factor here is that, as a council, with known premises that have had licence reviews on the same street (Southbank nightclub; Ibbs Bar; Legacy) where the outcomes from the reviews have been to curtail the hours, is it appropriate to be

increasing the licensable hours for Tasty Africa, with no provision in the licence for controlling the sound, or controlling safety at the door?

High standards of management:

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Lastly, I think the context of other premises in the area needs to be given serious consideration, given the noise and nuisance issues that are ongoing in the area, that are well known to the licensing team as well as noise and nuisance team- and granting this licence would clearly be going against the principles of the licensing policy of Southwark and not b promoting the licensing objectives.

If you require any further information, please do let me know.

Kind regards,

OTHER PERSON C

From:

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 7:33 PM

To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>

Subject: Tasty African food

I strongly want to oppose the application for the above premise to be extended as I live above these premises and as in the past I and other residents have been tormented with unsociable behaviour.

From: I

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 6:46 PM

To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk> Subject: Re: Representation for new premises licence for Tasty

African Food (57-59 Camberwell Road, SE5 0EZ)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to oppose the new premises licence proposed for Tasty African Food.

I previously applied for the review of the nightclub "La Estacion 56" which operates a floor below Tasty African Food due to the excessive noise, antisocial behaviour and crime associated with the premises. The excessive noise had forced us out of our home and I object to there being regulated entertainment until the early hours of the morning one floor higher than the current nightclub.

The flats above Tasty African Food are residential and I believe that late night entertainment, refreshments and alcohol are damaging to the lives of the residents in our block of flats who have already suffered hugely due to the operation of the nightclub.

I believe that additional late night entertainment in our residential area will contribute to crime and compromise public safety. I do not believe that Tasty African Food is insulated enough to absorb any sound to the residential flats and this has been demonstrated by multiple noise complaints from residents to date.

I implore the licencing board to not grant this licence given the continued and ongoing issues we face as residents and urge you to protect the quality of our lives which would be detrimentally impacted should this licence be granted.

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Kind regards,

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I hope that you are able to consider this objection.

I wish to object to the granting of a premises licence to the above premises, for the sale of alcohol and provision of late night entertainment.

The premises are very small with no seating. I believe therefore that most patrons will have to be enjoying the alcohol and entertainment from the street.

The noise and nuisance this will cause will be exacerbated by the location, right on a pedestrian crossing across Camberwell Road.

This location and it's immediate neighbours has a history of causing nuisance under various managements, suggesting that the location and buildings are simply unsuitable as licensed premises

Best regards



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