Turnpike Lane Resident

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Craig Bellringer
Noise and Nuisance Officer

Subject: Regarding Noise and Disturbances Caused by Connect Bar and Restaurant

Dear Mr Bellringer,

I am writing this formal statement to express my deep concern and dissatisfaction regarding the ongoing disturbances caused by Connect Bar and Restaurant, which is near my residence. As a full-time employee and part-time student, the disruptive activities occurring at this premises have had a significant negative impact on my ability to rest and concentrate on my studies during the weekends.

It has come to my attention that Connect Bar and Restaurant has been consistently operating beyond their licensed hours. This infringement not only violates the regulations set forth by Haringey Council but also exacerbates the adverse effects experienced by the residents in the vicinity, including myself. The establishment's failure to adhere to the stipulated closing time has led to a surge in noise levels, fights, and other unacceptable behaviour by its patrons during late hours of the night.

The customers of Connect Bar and Restaurant consistently engage in disruptive and disturbing activities, such as shouting, swearing, and engaging in physical altercations. On multiple occasions, I have personally witnessed these incidents and have taken videos as evidence of their unruly behaviour. Furthermore, it has become common for these individuals to consume nitrous oxide balloons and consume alcohol on the streets outside the premises, often in large groups.

However, it is with great concern that I must inform you that, in November of last year, I was physically assaulted by three customers of Connect Bar and Restaurant when I attempted to capture video evidence of their disturbance.

This incident occurred as I was documenting the unruly behaviour of the individuals. They aggressively confronted me, assaulting me physically to prevent me from capturing their actions on video. This unprovoked act of violence not only caused physical harm (resulting in a fractured cheekbone) but also instilled fear and trauma, affecting my overall well-being and sense of security.

The assault I experienced serves as a testament to the volatile and dangerous environment that has been cultivated by Connect Bar and Restaurant and its patrons. It is unacceptable that individuals who are simply seeking to document and report disturbances are met with violence and intimidation.

The excessive noise generated by the patrons of Connect Bar and Restaurant has severely impacted my quality of life and academic pursuits. As a result of the constant disturbances, I am regularly awakened multiple times throughout the night to early mornings on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays between 12:00 am and 8:00 am. Whether it is the sound of fights, profanities, or groups of people congregating outside the premises as far as our flat entrance, the disruption prevents me from obtaining the rest necessary for me to function effectively in both my professional and educational responsibilities.

I would like to highlight that these disturbances not only affect me but also my flatmates. One of my flatmates works on Saturdays and relies on a good night's sleep to perform well at their job. The constant noise and disruption from Connect Bar and Restaurant significantly hinder their ability to rest and negatively impact their work performance. Additionally, my other flatmate is a full-time student who requires a quiet environment to allow for a good nights sleep to achieve good academic results.

Furthermore, I must emphasize that the noise from inside the premises is not contained, as the patrons frequently leave the door open, allowing the noise to escape into the surrounding area. This has further intensified the disturbance experienced by the neighbouring residents, myself included.

As a responsible citizens and stakeholders within the community, I believe it is crucial to maintain a peaceful and harmonious environment for all residents. I trust that you will take this matter seriously and work towards resolving the ongoing disturbances caused by Connect Bar and Restaurant promptly.

Sincerely,

Haringey resident