

**MEMORANDUM**  
**LICENSING CONSULTATION**

To: Business Licensing

From: Maria Silva Rosa (Enforcement Officer)  
Our ref SR/13030/18

c.c. Gillian Murray (Administration Officer)  
Yogini Patel (Senior Regulatory Service Manager)

Date: 24/10/2018

Premises: Triangle, 248-250 High Street, NW10 4TD (basement)

**Type of Application: New**

The Nuisance Control Team (as a Responsible Authority) have inspected and considered this application Ref 13614 for a new Premises Licence.

On behalf of the Nuisance Control Team I would like to make representations against this application on the following grounds.

Granting the application will likely result in public nuisance being experienced by the occupiers of neighbouring and nearby residential premises.

The applicant confirmed that the venue which is located in the lower ground floor of 248 to 252 High Street, Harlesden NW10 is proposed to be used as a night club. There are existing residential units above the ground floor shops on the High Street and on either side of the premises and to the rear of the premises (Clifton Road).

I have inspected the venue which is not designed to contain disco level of entertainment. Potential areas of noise breakout noted included the areas around the existing fire doors and rear windows which had gaps and were not soundproofed. The ceiling throughout does not appear to benefit from a professional acoustic treatment. It has been perforated with apertures for lights, ventilation and fire safety.

- The operating schedule does not address the prevention of public nuisance from airborne and structure borne noise and vibration arising from entertainment noise
- Noise generated by patrons in external areas of the premises .
- Noise generated from patrons entering and exiting the premises during noise sensitive hours.- the application is seeking a terminal hour of 02.30hrs (Sunday - Thursday) and 04.00hrs (Friday and Saturday). Such an operation is likely to impact adversely upon immediate and nearby residents – especially with the hours applied for. The proposed operating hours are inappropriate due to the close proximity of residential dwellings both above the commercial premises along High Street Harlesden and also to the rear of the High Street (Clifton Road).

It is on these considerations that NCT recommend the application in its present form is not granted in order to prevent public nuisance.

Should the committee be minded to grant the premises licence the Nuisance Control Team request the following conditions:

- Regulated entertainment shall not be permitted at the premises until such time as a scheme of acoustic treatment works approved by the Council's nuisance control team has been installed, completed and tested by a registered member of the Institute of Acoustics
- No noise or vibration shall be detectable at the nearest noise sensitive premises.
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**Prevention of nuisance from noise/vibration**

***Airborne:***

- All doors and windows will remain closed during the licensed activities. Where a door is used for patrons to enter or leave the premises the door will be fitted with a self-closing device and staff told to ensure that it is not propped open. A member of staff shall be positioned at the door to ensure it is opened for as brief a period as possible
- Entry to the premises will be restricted to the front entrance via the High Street whilst the premises is being used of the licensed activity
- The applicant shall submit a dispersal policy to the satisfaction of all Responsible Authorities detailing how dispersal and how noise from dispersal will be managed so as to prevent public nuisance being experienced by neighbouring and nearby residents.

***Structure borne:***

- All speakers are mounted on anti-vibration mountings to prevent vibration transmission of sound energy to adjoining properties

***Sound limits***

- The licensee shall ensure that no music played in the licensed premises is audible at or within the site boundary of any residential property
- All entertainments will utilise the in-house amplification system, the maximum output of which is controlled by the duty manager

***Hours of operation:***

- The operating hours should terminate at midnight Sunday to Saturday. All licensable activities should cease 30 mins before the terminal hours.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this response further.

Kind regards

Maria L. Silva Rosa  
Enforcement Officer  
Regulatory Services