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**Subject:** FW: CONSULT: Variation - The Aura, 763-765 Harrow Road, HA0 2LW - 24906

Dear Sirs and Mr Simons

Brent Council Nuisance Control Team have considered both aspects of the Variation Application. You are aware that a Review Application has been submitted based on our concern that the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance is not being upheld. We contend that this premises is more accurately described as a shisha premises providing nightclub entertainment.

We object to part 1 of the variation application insofar as the external canopy area (ex-garden area) is a partial enclosure, rather than a complete enclosure – a configuration which promotes rather than prevents public nuisance arising from patrons and regulated entertainment, especially at noise sensitive hours. We are therefore opposed to the proposal to regularise licensable activities under sections E,F,I,J to the existing terminal hours. We would recommend regularising licensable activity I and J (late night refreshment and supply of alcohol) in the external canopy area (ex-garden area) to a terminal hour of 23:00hrs Sunday to Thursday; and 23:30hrs Friday and Saturday. We oppose regularising licensable activities E and F (live and recorded music) for the reasons provided in this objection.

We similarly object to aspects of part 2 of the variation application, as follows (application-worded items are highlighted yellow):

11 The outside drinking areas shall cease at 23.30 hours – This condition is to be revised in part to exclude the rear area which is now enclosed by a steel canopy. This condition is to be re-worded to specify the outside area to the front of the premises on Harrow Road.

We object to the proposed revision and recommend Condition 11 be revised as follows:  
**The partially enclosed external canopy area (ex-garden area) shall cease at 23.00 hours Sunday to Thursday, and midnight Friday and Saturday.**

12 After 23.30 hours the rear smoking area will cease to be used and the front smoking area shall be limited to 20 persons and each area shall be suitably supervised. – This condition is to be revised in part where the previous rear smoking area no longer exists and the condition is no longer applicable. The condition shall remain in limiting the front smoking area – the private forecourt on Harrow Road.

We are unclear as to the location of the rear smoking area. It is not labelled on the plan. We request this aspect of the variation is made clear on a revised plan and re-submitted to Responsible Authorities.

13 The playing of live or recorded music shall not be permitted in any garden or external area. This condition is sought for removal because it would no longer be applicable where the garden area is now covered by a canopy.

We contend this external canopy area (ex-garden area) is causing public nuisance from patrons and regulated entertainment, at noise sensitive hours. The area is only partially enclosed and its use at noise sensitive hours is evidently resulting in public nuisance. We therefore recommend Condition 13 should be revised to:

**The playing of live or recorded music shall not be permitted in the external canopy area (ex-garden area).**

Kind regards  
Martin Wood  
Principal Nuisance Control Officer