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Subject: The Aura - 763-765 Harrow Rd, London, Wembley HA0 2LW

Good evening,

Hope you are well.

I understand that the council is currently carrying out a licence review/consultation for The Aura Nightclub until tomorrow, 9th June. As the newly elected Labour councillor for Sudbury I would also like to make a representation on behalf of the local Sudbury residents who got in touch with me and the previous councillors with their complaints concerning parking on the side streets and the noise caused by the activity taking place at the club during Friday/Saturday evenings. I believe that previously, Cllr Stephens and Cllr Daly have advised the manager of the Aura Lounge to encourage their customers to park at the Vale Farm car park in order to avoid overcrowding the residential streets around the venue and avoid disruption to local residents, but the situation, unfortunately, doesn't seem to have improved. The residents have also complained about the high levels of noise coming from the venue during the night which is causing a lot of inconvenience to them.

I also understand that the police officer from emergency response team at Wembley Police Station has received numerous emergency calls regarding anti-social behaviour and criminality. He previously mentioned that they dealt with 4 males armed with large machetes, a car failed to stop for police having crashed into multiple cars. This venue generates dozens of calls to the police and all are undoubtedly linked to the Aura lounge. I believe that the council has now installed a CCTV camera to monitor the activity taking place at the nightclub which is a very positive and welcomed development.

As much as I would like to support local businesses in the area and I don't want their licence to be jeopardised, in light of the many complaints that have been received from residents regarding parking, noise, and anti-social behaviour issues coming from the venue, I believe stronger measures need to be put in place to address the residents' concerns.

Thank you very much for your help with looking into all the issues mentioned above. I look forward to receiving a response from you once the consultation is concluded with the next actions that will be taken to address the concerns raised by residents.

Kind regards,
Teo Benea
Cllr for Sudbury ward