



LICENSING ACT 2003

Licence: Review

Reference: 31169

Premises: Alaturca, The Lodge, Kingsbury Road, NW9 9HA

On behalf of the Nuisance Control Team, I acknowledge and support the application for a review of the premises licence of premises known as: 'Alaturca Lounge' located at The Lodge, Roe Green Park, Kingsbury Road, Kingsbury, NW9 9HA.

Our records indicate that noise complaints were received by our service between the period 07/05/2023-14/04/2024. A total of 13 individual residents reported unreasonable levels of noise in the form of loud music being emitted from Alaturca Lounge. The noise complaints are supported by a total of 86 audio recordings submitted by 10 individual residents in the local area. Specific details of the dates and times of the audio capture are provided in **appendices 1-10**.

Furthermore, our records show that between 07/05/23-11/02/2024, a total of 18 telephone call-logs were made to our night-time noise service reporting loud music. Additionally, we have received 11 counts of written correspondence between 18/05/2023-13/03/2024 regarding noise from this venue, mostly from residents but from local Councillors on 3 occasions on behalf of their constituents.

On 30/07/2023, a Noise Abatement Notice (**appendix 11**) was served on Mr Algul following review of audio evidence received through the Noise App and street-level noise assessment on 29/07/2023. Investigating Officers were satisfied that the observed noise levels were unreasonably loud and at a level likely to cause noise disturbance to local residential properties.

On 06/11/2023, due to further noise complaints received via the Noise App, a fixed penalty notice (FPN) (**appendix 12**) was issued to Mr Algul following review of audio recordings. Mr Algul responded by stating that the noise was due to his birthday event and he will pay the FPN immediately. A reminder was sent on 27/11/2023 but the FPN still remains unpaid.

The Nuisance Control Team have liaised extensively with Mr Algul. However, despite comprehensive and repeated advice and warnings issued on multiple occasions (communicated in writing and verbally both in person and via telephone), Mr Algul has failed to adequately manage entertainment noise from licensable activity at his premises.

The Nuisance Control Team is of the opinion that the building 'The Lodge' is inadequately sound insulated and located in a residential area not suitable for the operation of an entertainment premises which can be described as a 'nightclub.' In addition to loud music, local residents are also likely to be affected by noise from the dispersal of patrons and associated anti-social behaviour at noise-sensitive times (late night and in the early hours of the morning).

Therefore, the Nuisance Control Team support this licence review application for revocation of Entertainment Licence due to the lack of confidence in the management of the premises,

the unsuitability of the location of the premises operating as a 'nightclub' in a residential area and the widespread impact on local residents evident from the multiple noise complaints received by the Nuisance Control Team from numerous residents.

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