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Tamu Samaj UK-Nepalese Community
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Licensing Act 2003 Premises Licence application 14763
Re: Unit 1 Barham Park, 660 Harrow Road, Wembley, HA0 2HB

Responses to objectors: Rep 01 and Rep 02

Dear Ms Murray,

Thank you for your recent correspondence and details of two objections to Tamu Samaj UK (TSUK) recent application for a premises licence. We have considered the objections and respond accordingly as one response will address all similar issues raised in both representations.

Firstly, we would like to state that since TSUK acquired the property under lease from Brent Council in June 2017 and opened our doors on 9 September TSUK has never received any complaints about noise, litter, crime and disorder, breach of public safety or the park's tranquil surrounds on our part, or any or the issues raised by both objectors. On the contrary, since our arrival we have improved a once derelict, unused building which was vandalised and attracted rough sleepers, fouling and vandalism. We have always kept our premises and the surrounds tidy and clean, including areas that are not our contractual responsibility. Our priority has been to ensure we enhance, not defile the areas for which we are responsible and our activities will continue to be delivered in the same way that we always have done to date. TSUK was approached by Brent Council to apply for a licence to legitimise our activities and remain compliant.

In order to keep relationships with other Barham Park complex users/ tenants we have always invited them to our events and they attend, enjoy the events and celebrations, participating fully. Memorial Sunday November 2018, all complex users shared our own communal remembrance celebrations with the local MP, Mayor's Councillors strategic partners such as Local community leaders, the police, cadets, military representatives and Gail representing, Brent CEO Carolyn Downs to mark the event.

We have considered the correspondence and address the points made in the following way:

Crime and disorder

TSUK will not condone and will act immediately to prevent any behaviour that constitutes crime and disorder. Many of TSUK members are ex-British military and several of our management committee and hold SIA licences, we WILL NOT allow drunken behaviour in or outside the premises. We have developed a very good working relationship with the Metropolitan Police and organise regular building patrols by our own registered licence holder. We have already installed CCTV and security lights with lawful signage in place which has been a deterrent and reduction for the behaviour that we know plagued the Card Room's immediate vicinity. No sale of alcohol will be made on the premises. No consumption of alcohol will be authorised to under 25 years. TSUK SIA officers and licensees are working with police partner licensing constable PC Paul Scott PC3302NW to ensure we remain compliant since being asked to submit this application and attend have been invited to regular 6 monthly licensing training with the Metropolitan Police

At least 3 members have attended food safety, alcohol licence and health and safety training since we opened in 2017. We are aware of our responsibilities within the law.

Vandalism and anti-social behaviour

TSUK does not condone any activities that constitutes as vandalism. In fact, we significantly renovated the property when we first obtained it and removed unsightly and dangerous materials previously left in the area for many years. Our organisation regularly litter picks the environs around our property and considers ourselves responsible tenants. The proximity to the Community Library is approximately 30m, we therefore do not consider any level of noise will be more than we have had over the past 18 months since our tenancy began. We have installed new roof insulation in our building which reduces the noise levels and our windows locked shut therefore cannot be opened. Any music and entertainment will cease by 11pm on the occasions of every TSUK event.

Parking

Although many of our users walk to the centre (as they live within 3kms) in the case of those who choose to drive, all TSUK visitors are encouraged to use Sudbury Town tube station public parking as there is limited parking on site. For the more mobile challenged or infirm use the publicly available paid parking bays in Barham Park, nearby off-road parking and spaces at The Fusilliers Public House and the Post Office after closing hours.

Public safety (families and young people)

TSUK will not instigate or condone any behaviour or activity that is detrimental to the safety and peaceful enjoyment of the public park. Subject to the usual noises we expect within the public realm such as the regular fairground amusements that take place in the park; children and families enjoy the park and make noises as expected and we have our own yoga, meditation and well-being sessions which equally benefit from being located in a beautiful park.

Specifically, TSUK will ensure there is no consumption of alcohol outside in the shared garden premises during the Barham Park Community Library opening hours and 1 hour after closing to minimise any anticipated risk to children and families. It is the responsibility of parents and event organisers to ensure that all children should be appropriately supervised at all times and hazards are prevented as Barham Park is an open public park space and not close-gated 24 hours.

Prevention of damage to the Barham Park environs

TSUK will not condone and will work with the council and other complex tenant to repair any damage that occurs as a direct result of our activities. We have installed toilets one of which is a disabled access

and offer our facilities free of charge to local park users to prevent any fouling or urination of the complex buildings once we are open. We consider it to be our public duty to protect and improve the local environment and the maintenance of high hygiene standards since our occupancy. TSUK has cleared overgrown shrubs, planted flowers, plants and shrubs around our building to enhance the area and replaced previously broken/ moss ridden roof tiles and will continue to lead on actions to protect and vastly improve the picturesque environs, thereby reducing damage by potential vandals.

TSUK have a waste contract with Veolia which can be produced for inspection at any time. We always clean up after ourselves and have never received any complaints about irresponsible waste disposal or littering the park from our premises.

Operating times and type of TSUK activities

TSUK use recorded music (without heavy baseline) singing and a PA system for our activities. We deliver similar activities to the other tenants such as wellbeing and language classes, games, leisure pursuits, contemplative activities such as yoga and faith-based activities so we are mindful of the peace and tranquillity the park surrounds offers.

We have not requested this licence for everyday use. We have been guided by the council to state the details in such as way in the application. In practice, will have activities which exercise the licence 5-6 times a month after 5pm. The PA system is used for health and well-being classes and celebrations as we have always done since our tenancy began.

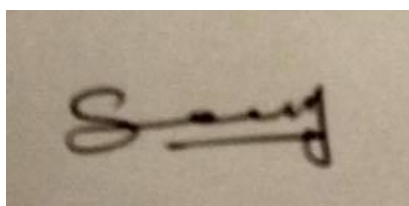
TSUK delivers activities to support the social integration of park users, we can evidence that health and safety has improved in the area as young people no longer climb and run over the roof of our Unit 1 building due to its additional security features which we have installed.

There is no substantiated evidence of TSUK ever being responsible for the negative examples stated in the objections.

We, Tamu Samaj UK understand the concerns of the objectors and will put in place actions to mitigate against any negative impact of our licence on the park, its users and fellow tenants.

We look forward to your reply.

Thank you
Best Regards

A photograph of a handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature appears to be 'Shiva' followed by a surname that is partially obscured or less legible.

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