



Dear Member of the Public,

Thank you for bringing your objections from 19/07/19 and 21/07/2019 to our attention.

Please see our reply in red.

As to the incorrect notices (and the failure of the applicants to get even that right does not bode well) the notice outside my house on white paper which is the one most residents saw has now been removed altogether. As there is now no trace of this it seems reasonable to assume this was done by or on behalf of the applicants rather than as a result of vandalism. The notice on white paper pasted on the rear of the permanent park notice board so as to face into the park remains. All other notices I could see appeared to be on blue paper. However, I noticed all this whilst walking to and from Kingsbury Road for other reasons and not with this primarily in mind. You have said though that in light of a court decision (I do not know at what level) involving Redbridge council applying a 'de minimis' view you would not put back the latest date for objections. Whilst I respect your view on this I must formally reserve my rights (and those of other concerned residents) to challenge this if necessary.

First, we must mention that all the white notices have been removed and replaced with blue papers on 16th July with the prove sent to the Brent Council to Business licence department. Next day, 17th July our Pastor meet in Roe Green Park with the Police Licensing Officer to discuss all the matters about the event and they saw all the damages to the signs. They walked through the park and they saw that there were many signs that had been placed in and around the park. Photos as evidence and complain have been send by email to the Police Officer and a response was sent back to us about this matter and forward to the Brent Council. Also, the Licensing Manager from Brent Council is aware about this issue and all the correspondence can be shown upon request.

It's in our best interest to make sure these notices to be displayed in and around the park. We will check all the notices regularly and we will make sure to replace the ones are missing.

We don't have any acknowledge or any conversation about any court decision and involving Redbridge Council. This is something new to us. Could you please send us a prove about us saying something like this?

The applicants state "our church is just round the corner". Any addresses in the application are redacted (presumably to comply with the law around data protection) and the only addresses publicly available are one in Llandover Road in North Wembley and (from memory) Chichele Road in Willesden- neither of which could be described as "round the corner".

If you check the interpretation of the word "Church" you will find that this word does not refer to a building, but rather to a religious gathering. With this we want to clarify that we have rented a large hall inside the Kingsbury Hight School, Lower School, Bacon Lane, Kingsbury, NW9 9AT, which is just around the corner as mentioned. Please let us know if you need any proof or further clarification on this aspect.

The applicants describe Nation Building Ltd as professional H&S Consultants. Details of this company (which has only been in existence for just over two years) at Companies House describe it (as suggested by its name) as a building and property development company with no reference to Health and Safety consultancy. All the company officers appear to be Romanian. It is indeed my recollection that these are the same people who were responsible for the very shoddy building work (carried out in flagrant disregard for the relevant planning consent) at the Lodge.



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You are making an untrue statement of comparison again for your benefits, without submitting any proof or clear evidence and we think that you are very close to commit a perjury and this could be convicted of a crime of dishonesty.

After doing a few checks on the H&S Nation Building LTD, we deduced the following:

1. Nation Building was incorporated in the beginning of 2017 and is a company with a fairly high capital (over 400k turnover per year as you can see on the company house submissions website). The company was recommended by a few other big companies on the requested references before we decided to open a collaboration with them.

2. We are not interested if whether the company belongs to a Romanian citizen of another nationality, however, to clarify this, the company has 2 directors, one Romanian and one British nationality and not just one as you have stated (this can be check on company house website) . We have known this company by recommendation, and they proved to be a serious company that knows the health and safety rules and already being involved in projects with large capital.

3. Following the recent conversation with one of the Nation Building directors, we have been advised as follow: "It is very popular in UK to have more than one activity on the market and company house. There is nothing wrong with that. However, the H & S activity is defined by the activity code of 74909 - Other professional, scientific and technical activities not elsewhere classified), which can be observed on the company house website (we did not find an exact classification code for our H&S activity). We have also a good logistic system which allows us to add extra activities on the company such as Construction work and to act as an employer agency when is needed to provide people for big projects."

Also, we will be happy to receive any provide prove of any connection of this church event with the Lodge.

Please supply the names of the vast army of people promised as being in attendance and details of their qualifications.

Sure, all the qualifications will be attached on a different email as soon as we are taking copy of all of them (please allow a couple of days to prepare them). Please note that some of the qualifications already been submitted previously as requested by the Licencing team from Brent Council and we are sure this can be forward to you.

The applicants acknowledge there is an association with the "Lode" (sic) but merely state it is not relevant without explaining why.

In relation to " The Lodge " we do not know what kind of explanations you are expecting, but we can solemnly promise that we have nothing to do with this organization or community. We did not hear about this organization until this was mentioned to us in the previous objection. It is so far away to associate us as a church with a community like them, we are not even drinking alcohol as part of our believes and there is no evidence or terms of comparisons. Please let us know if you need further explanations on this.

They state they are a Christian church, but the event does not appear to be a religious one and indeed its dates do not coincide with any Romanian or other Christian festivals or Romanian public holidays. The paragraph commencing "strong management" and ending "local vicinity" seems inapplicable and bears all the hallmarks of having been "cut and pasted " (with some clumsy and unconvincing amendments attempting to fit it to this present application) from the liquor licence application made by the Lodge.

We are sorry, but we think you did not understand the purpose of this event.

This is not a habit that is practiced on a specific date, but it can be practiced at any given date, so obviously, it does not appear as an association with an official date of a specific holiday. As a church, we respect all religious programs



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during the week and especially Sundays, but we also have external activities in which we seek to help people and engage in various projects that have charitable purposes, but also projects in which we promote moral habits with educational aspect as previously mentioned.

Also, bear in mind our team was invited by the Brent Council on 4th June 2019 to present the event to BSGA meeting. Police, H&S department and other people attended this meeting and they are aware about this event and they told us all the conditions we need to agree and complete so we can hold this event.

And again, we want to mention that the application is for Live music licence not for anything else. So, please provide evidence for all this association with the Lodge and their activity.

It is probably not relevant to the concerns of the licencing committee and almost certainly not appropriate in this context to discuss complex issues of integration versus assimilation versus fragmentation but in light of some of the applicants comments I am duty bound to say that I find it difficult to understand how an exclusively Romanian event as described in any way assists in promoting either integration or assimilation. This area boasts a large variety of immigrant groups who very quickly add to the richness of the local scene. Quite why the Romanian arrivals who let us remember are economic migrants (nothing wrong with that) and not refugees find it so difficult to fit in is a question for people far cleverer than me to address.

We understand the frustration for this event, but you have to understand that we also have the same rights as everybody else, it is what we call equality and diversity and we are sure that the licences committee will be able to balance the objections in a fairly manner.

Most of the objections looks more like statements that are not based on evidence and proof but are only general opinions. However, we are committed to complying with all the requirements and laws that are provided for this manifestation and our reputation will be a priority for us.

We also want to be mentioned that in case you don't know, Romania is a European Country and most Romanians are well integrated in the UK society and very hard workers and we think that the term "immigrants" is not relevant to this topic.

We do not want to interpret your explanations as being racist, but we notice that you are focusing too much on the Romanian community denigrating the community by making all sorts of comparisons and statements without any evidence, but perhaps someone invented them in order to prevent this event of taking place.

You should know that, there is a contract and agreement that have to be signed by us prior to start the event and if any of the agreement will be broken, we are assuming any legal actions against us so that is why we are treating all the regulations very serious.

We have a budget for this event, so we agreed to pay private companies to get involved in this project so that all the legal procedures to be well fulfilled and comply with all the legal requirements.

We must admit that it is very hard to keep everyone happy and for any type of event there will be people like you trying to influence the decision of the licensing committee in their favour and this is not something unfamiliar for us.

I have now had a further look at the documentation supplied. In addition to other addresses the Applicants (supposedly a Christian Church) give an address of [REDACTED] A Google maps search shows this to be a residential address from which a business called A&C Heating and Plumbing Ltd operates. Can this anomaly be explained?

We do not understand why it would be a problem having the correspondence address in a residential area. And yes, the mailing address is a temporarily there because the property belongs to one of our church committee members and he has a plumbing company as well. We are not a church of people who does nothing, but we are all working, and we contribute to the national system. We do not have an official office address just yet if that is what concerns you because this is not a priority for us to have a commercial address registered and there is nothing illegal on this. However, if you consider any of these facts as being illegal then please explain why. Anyway, we have the feeling that none of your objections are bothering you indeed, but you are trying to point out everything that may cause the impression of being unprofessional to influence the licencing decision.



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My concerns are also increased when further investigation reveals that Yitzhak Security Limited (who the applicants claim will be providing security services) was only incorporated on 1st July 2019. The only individual listed at Companies House as involved with this company is one Cosmin Isacchi described as Romanian and an accountant born in May 1993 (he appears not to know his full date of birth).

Firstly, it does not matter when a company was founded because you cannot judge a book by its cover. However, we will find time to elaborate these details in the hope that we will bring to light those unclear aspects.

When we first proposed the logistics of the event, we have estimated a smaller number of people and so we wanted to have only one security officer. We then found a qualified security officer (Mr Cosmin Isac). We did not care about his recently opened company as we were focussed on his qualifications and experience.

However, after a couple of weeks, we realized that it is actually possible that the number of people present at the event to be larger than what we are expecting (between 400-700 people) and we decided to collaborate with a bigger security company, able to supply more people if needed and so that is what we already did.

We sent an email to Churchill Security Limited to ask for a quotation for supplying more people. Quotation has been received approved and we will sign a contract after we have all the licensing confirmation (prove can be provided on request).

All the services for this event will be implemented as to cover a minimum 1000 people although we are expecting much less.

In all the circumstances I would appreciate early confirmation that your report to the licensing justices will strongly advise against approving this application. Further I wait to hear that having advised the applicants of this they have decided to withdraw their application and abandon all plans to hold this or any similar event in Roe Green Park.

We would like to make it clear; we will not abandon this plan just because you are not agreeing with it by invoking irrelevant aspects against our rights. We have carefully revised your concerns and explanations but so far there are just general opinions and comparisons with the scope of denigrating and destroying our reputation. We are respecting everyone's rights and therefore we are working hard to follow all the legal procedures requested.

We must admit that, these objections are more like philosophical queries, with well-defined obscure purposes, and the issues raised are not serious enough to really bother someone.

The event will not take place 24hrs x 3days but only a couple of hrs per days and everything will be inside the fences. So that is why we find hard to understand what is really bother you on this event.

Thank you.

With regards,
Event Team
Holy Trinity Romanian Church