

18 Watling Street  
Thaxted  
CM6 2PE

Tel.

7<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Licensing Authority  
Uttlesford District Council,  
London Road  
Saffron Walden  
Essex  
CB11 4ER

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Review of Premises Licence – India Villa, 20 Watling Street, Thaxted CM6 2PE**

Regarding the review of the premises licence at 20 Watling Street, The India Villa, I wish to make known my concerns. I write as an interested party; I am the owner of the adjoining property 18 Watling Street.

The Essex Police have brought the review due to the subversion of the crime and disorder objective of the Licensing Act 2003 however I wish to further identify the ongoing public nuisance offences both criminal and antisocial.

In two years of being resident at 18 Watling Street we have not experienced any anti-social behaviour by patrons entering or leaving the premises however after 11.30 there are regular instances of banging, crashing and shouting from the rear of the property which moves inside the premises to continue into the early hours of the morning.

Rowdy, drunken behaviour after hours is chronic and has been so for some time. The managers of The India Villa who are rarely present at these times, will attest to an ongoing phone and face to face conversation regarding requests to reduce noise and public nuisance. This thematic behaviour culminated in the events of Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July when a fight resulted in a sash window on the front elevation being put out into the street at 5.20 a.m.

Essex Police can provide further detail regarding the drunken, violent behaviour of the staff they arrested later that morning. It is recorded in the police statements that one of the men arrested made a point of identifying me as 'the one that is complaining all the time' but there is no record of us reporting the owners or employees to any authoritative body prior to July 21<sup>st</sup>.

It may be beyond the purview of the Licensing Authority to take into consideration the evolution of company name changes and dissolutions; Licence Premises and DPS variations against a back drop of this being the second incidence of illegal workers in under two years and increasing levels of public

nuisance within the same period at this property. The names of the varying directors, DPS's and managers are all inextricably linked to the Landlord who remains agnostic to the goings on.

This representation is not vexatious or frivolous but made in desperation that action be taken within the powers available to the authority.

Yours sincerely,