COUNCIL

1 May 2024

Worthing Licensing and Control Sub-Committee B Date: 8 May 2024 Time: 6.30 pm Venue: The Committee Rooms, Worthing Town Hall

Committee Membership: Councillors Cathy Glynn-Davies (Chair), Kevin Jenkins and Dale Overton

Agenda

Part A

4. Licensing Act 2003 – Application for the Review of a Premises Licence under Section 51 (Pages 3 - 6)

To consider a report by the Director for Sustainability & Resources, copy attached as item 4.

Recording of this meeting

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Duration of the Meeting: Three hours after the commencement of the meeting the Chairperson will adjourn the meeting to consider if it wishes to continue. A vote will be taken and a simple majority in favour will be necessary for the meeting to continue.



Agenda Item 4

Addendum - Supporting Evidence





Application by Public Health & Regulation for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

Re: Angels Bar & Club, 10 High Street, Worthing

Update 1 May 2024

Since we submitted the Premises Licence Review Application, we have continued to receive complaints from local residents claiming excessive noise disturbance from Angels Bar & Club has continued every weekend.

In response we have carried out two monitoring visits to neighbouring properties, one on 14 April 2024 (a Sunday morning), the other on 27 April 2024 (a Saturday morning).

On both occasions the beat and bass dominated the noise audible, particularly in 8 High Street which shares a party wall with Angels. The volume of noise witnessed would prevent someone from sleeping in the bedroom of the flat in 8 High Street. The volume of music was loud enough to be able to identify the track being played in Angels next door (e.g. on 14 April The Fratellis 'Chelsea Dagger', on 27 April Pitbull 'Fireball'). During our visits we also listened outside at the rear of the premises to confirm that the music being played was coming from Angels. The dominant noise source in the vicinity was music escaping from Angels, loud enough to identify what was being played (e.g. Beyonce 'Crazy in Love' on 14 April).

We emailed Mr Rafique on 12 April 2024 asking him for information about the advice and monitoring that was carried out by a person named Tom, who he claimed at his interview on 5 March 2024 to have been helping him with noise control.

Mr Rafique emailed us on 24 April 2024 stating "Over the last few weeks my staff have taken extra precautions on the alleged noise issue. Can you please confirm if you are still receiving substantiated complaints"? We have responded confirming we are still receiving substantiated complaints, in particular but not exclusively from the adjacent building, 8 High Street.

Mr Rafique has today responded saying "I'm very surprised at this to be honest, our readings don't indicate this. Could you provide your readings please". To us this suggests that Mr Rafique continues to rely on his own noise measurements to demonstrate that there is not an issue, rather than working with us to resolve the

matter. We have not received any response to our request for information on the advice he has received and monitoring undertaken by him.

It is our view that a Public Nuisance (as defined by the Licensing Act 2003) remains.