Memorandum to: Licensing  
From: Michael Anderson

To: Public Protection  
Date: 30 January 2019

Reference: TEN 11305

Subject: Application for a Temporary Event, The Sugar Bar, 91 Norwood High Street, West Norwood, SE27 9JS

The Public Protection Team is responsible for the purpose of the Licensing Act 2003, hereby making an objection to an application made by Mr Gil Lue-Kong to hold a temporary event on Saturday 9 February – Sunday 10 February 2019 between the hours of 02:00 till 05:00 hours at the above premises, application reference TEN 11305 refers.

This objection is made on the grounds of the Prevention of Public Nuisance as the Public Protection Area Team is of the opinion that the proposed hours for licensable activities is likely to result in public nuisance.

The Public Protection Team are also mindful of concerns, raised this year by neighbouring residents relating to noise and disturbance caused by the venue:

Complainant 1
“Over the past few weekends The Sugar Bar have left open their back kitchen windows and opened tip their garden space, which to my knowledge is against their lease agreement. On Friday and Saturdays it is extremely noisy from 7pm to 3am, music and shouting that can be heard from my house. On Friday 25th of January 2019 it was especially bad I was unable to sleep and those who were in the Sugar Bar would come round to Dunkirk Street to go to the toilet in the road and shout by their cars at 2.30am.”

Complainant 2
The Sugar bar has recently been taken over the Sugar Bar. My 2 year old daughter sleeps in a bedroom face out to Sugar bar. On Friday 25th January the kitchen was being used all night until 3am on Saturday 26th January. During this time there was significant noise coming from this kitchen as they had both windows open from 7pm-3am. The type of noise emanating from the Sugar Bar kitchen was loud voices, cooking sounds, washing up of large metal pots and pans and on many occasions music coming directly from the bar area when the door from the kitchen to the bar was opened and left opened. My daughter subsequently was woken from her sleep three times during this evening. I have no issue with the Sugar Bar and its rights to trade but, by having their windows open at all times it impacted hugely on my daughter and myself. The terms of their license are meant to prevent things like this happening.

As a result we are not convinced that the management of the venue and dispersal of patrons, will be effective.
Summary
The Public Protection Team asks for the issue of a counter-notice, based on the details provided above, so this event cannot go ahead.

Yours faithfully

M. Anderson
Principal Public Protection Officer