

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

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Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9)*

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I am a resident of [REDACTED] Hylton Street and I have been a resident since mid 2020.

I have been impacted by noise from Jewels Lounge since it opened in 2022 and have made a number of complaints to the Council.

In terms of impact I have discussed previously with the officers who have visited the premises on various occasions to witness the noise.

The music is most audible in the bedroom and it is very difficult to sleep until the music stops which is often after midnight. This is consistently on Sunday nights and then sometimes other evenings too. Particularly on Sundays when we have early start for work on Monday, this impacts being tired at work the next day. I have quite a long commute and try to avoid going to the office on Mondays as I know I won't get enough sleep to get up early enough to drive to work.

When watching television earlier in the evenings, we have to turn the television up.

I am not able to fully relax in my own home when music is playing as it is disturbing.

I have a feeling of frustration and feeling of dread on Sundays when the music starts as we then know it will go on until midnight or later.

Signed: [REDACTED] (witness)

Date: 17/12/23

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These events are advertised on social media and typically start around 6:30pm and does not finish until approx 1am, with the noise and anti-social behaviour increasing on an hourly basis. The bass from the venue can be heard in both my living room and my bedroom, meaning that after a long week at work I am unable to relax in my own home. The only way I can drown out the noise is by turning the television up louder, which is the last thing I want to do when I should be getting ready for bed. I try to sleep but can't rest because of the noise, which I know will go on for hours after I've gotten into bed. It's unbearable.

I don't feel comfortable inviting people to my home on the weekend, just incase there is an event. Those that occur on a Sunday are particularly distressing as I am often unrested come Monday morning, and my working week always gets off to a bad start. The music increases in volume as the night goes on, as do the lights and the shouting of those in the venue.

I share two dogs with my ex-partner, and they are very unsettled at the weekend as a result of the noise. Whilst this does not seem like much, my tenancy means that I have to ensure that guests and pets in my home aren't a nuisance, but the dogs react to the music and bark. I am scared that my residency could be put at risk as a result.

Those attending the venue also park in a very antisocial and unsafe manner, meaning on the rare occasion I do have guests, they find it difficult to leave the street unless they go onto the dual carriageway towards Tesco, rather than towards Tesco express.

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Goodsyard is a fantastic development with wonderful staff and amazing amenities, but I find myself dreading the weekends because of the noise.

All I want is to be able to relax, and that isn't possible whilst the Jewel Lounge is still operational. I know other neighbours feel the same.

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I am a resident of  Hylton Street and I have been a resident since 2016. I am writing this on Sunday 10th December 2023 at 23:37 and the music from Jewels Lounge is still blaring away. Friday night on 8th December 2023 was possibly the loudest they've ever been, going well beyond midnight.

In terms of impact, fundamentally it affects my partner and I by preventing us from relaxing in our own home. If we're sat quietly reading or doing something else, it is all we can hear. If we're listening to music or watching TV we have to turn it up. We can hear it when we go to bed. It is annoying, which raises stress levels meaning it's more difficult to relax, and sometimes makes me angry. It's also extremely frustrating that the licensees, leaseholder and owner of the building care so little about their neighbours, and that it is taking so long to do anything about it when they are clearly not licenced and don't have planning consent.


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