

Prevention of Public Nuisance

RE: Review of the premises licence for Peaky Blinders

It started on what I think was the 15th September which was a sort of pre-opening night. There was audible music but unsure of where it was coming from.

The next night which was the official opening made it apparent when there was the period car and shouting up the road publicity stunt (this was very early evening though) and then music again all night.

The following weekend I made my first report after having had several nights of audible music and looking at the Facebook page of Peaky Blinders and seeing that it was going to be four nights a week.

This continued for the rest of the month combined with voices from people congregating outside throughout the night (guessing smoking) and especially when they are leaving which is sometimes closer to midnight at the weekends when they have got in their taxis and actually left the area.

There were a couple of occasions in October where music went well beyond 11 with customers being encouraged to sing and stomp to then be replaced with 'background' music that was only a little bit quieter than the live music.

This continued the rest of the year with me getting more and more stressed by it, getting grumpier, rantier, snippy and generally unpleasant to be around (not my words). Knowing that six days a week at some time between 20:30 and 21:00 music would begin and not knowing how loud it was going to be made things, especially my studying, impossible to plan.

This hit a head when at ten to one in the morning on New Years Eve/Day there was bagpiping.

January I had a visit from Karl and Craig about the noise so they could hear for themselves and take their own recordings. I believe they then spoke to Jamie.

On 5th February Jamie turned up on my doorstep, apologised and said that he had no idea until the previous week that there was a problem. I gave him my mobile number to arrange a time when he could come in and listen for himself. He did this that weekend.

Since then a speaker has been moved, some form of insulation put in the roof and volume levels lowered and it has made a difference...a small difference. Some Tuesday and Wednesday nights I can barely hear any music now but as the weekend approaches it gets louder and louder.

Jamie has kept in contact and attempts to lower the levels at weekends, sending me messages asking about the volume and lowering it where possible and again, it IS quieter so attempts are being made...but it is still often loud.