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To: Davenport, Peter; M&CP - Licensing
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Subject: FW: Representation: Prevention of Public Nuisance: Feng Shui, 1A Pudding Lane, London, EC3R 8AB. City of London Police review of premises license.

Dear all,

I refer to the above application by the City of London Police, for a review of the existing premises license of Feng Shui, 1A Pudding Lane, EC3R 8AB and wish to make representations on behalf of the Environmental Health (Pollution Control) Team of Department of Markets and Consumer Protection in respect of the prevention of the public nuisance licensing objective.

To summarise:

We have received one complaint about Monument Street and Botolph Lane area on 8th October 2013 from a resident located in Werna House, Monument Street. The complainant raised issue with -

- Noise from customers from a nearby nightclub coming to and leaving the area by vehicles, taxis and cars.
- Noise from from vehicle hi fi systems, shouting and tooting of car horns.
- The resulting effect being lack of sleep and disturbance.

The City undertook a proactive observation of the area in response to the complaint received and in order to investigate which nightclub was the subject of complaint, this was undertaken by Westminster City Council's out of hours Environmental Health Officers on 9th November and an excerpt of their report is shown below:

"Arrived in Pudding Lane at 0250 on 9th. Congested with cars in Pudding Lane but only 6 cars in Botolph Lane.

0255 A few customers leave the Club and go to their vehicles in Monument Street. Not noisy.

0305 People now piling out of the Club. Most hang around outside. 3 doormen try to encourage them to leave. A fight breaks out at 0309 but is quickly brought under control by door staff and others. Cars now coming up Pudding Lane but it quickly becomes blocked as they stop outside the Club. Quite a lot of noise from voices and cars with occasional tooting.

0315 A few women from the Club have now made their way to Botolph Lane. Most are drunk and talking very loudly. One tries to drive down Botolph Lane but incompetence means she gets stuck. There is plenty of space but she decides to reverse back up to Eastcheap but other cars trying to get down. This causes some noise.

0325 Lots of taxi's have been present for 20 minutes now. Some of these and some cars drive round the circuit Eastcheap, Botolph Lane, Monument St, Pudding lane.

0330 Most now dispersed. Spoke to door staff. They said they have a license till 4am but were closing at 3 tonight. They described it as a quiet night."

This demonstrates that on the 9th November 2013 there was some evidence of public nuisance from patrons leaving Feng Shui, 1 A Pudding Lane.

Regards Richard

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