

LICENSING ACT 2003**REPRESENTATION FORM FROM INTERESTED PARTIES**

This representation is made by an Interested Party regarding the premises to be licensed as detailed below:

Your name/organisation name/name of body you represent (see note 3)	H [REDACTED] F [REDACTED]
Organisation name/name of body you represent (if appropriate) (see note 3)	
Postal address	
Email address	
Daytime contact telephone number	

Name of the premises you are making a representation about	Amala Buka
Address of the premises you are making a representation about	365 High Street Rochester Kent ME1 1DA .

Your representation must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives (see note 4)

LICENSING OBJECTIVE	Yes or No	Please detail the evidence supporting your representation or the reason for your representation. Please use separate sheets if necessary
Prevention of crime and disorder	Yes	<p>There are already a lot of venues in the area serving alcohol and there has been a lot of nuisance behaviour including noise and violence in the streets late at night, public urination, vomiting and defecation, and drug usage.</p> <p>There are lots of small alleyways in the area and drunks often wander down private lanes to relieve themselves</p> <p>I am concerned that an extension of licencing hours to this venue combined with live entertainment could only worsen the problem that the area is already facing</p>
Public safety	No	

Prevention of public nuisance	Yes	<p>Amala Buka has previously held live music events that have been very loud and have run until very late.</p> <p>This has caused a lot of disturbance for neighbours and their guests. I stay at *** High street, and on many occasions Amala Buka have played very loud music past 11pm. On one occasion this went on until around 1 am.</p> <p>The venue have turned the volume down when asked, but when the door to their patio is open the music is much louder.</p> <p>I am concerned that the venue does not have adequate noise proofing to hold live music events without disturbing local residents</p> <p>The music seems to be amplified through a speaker system, which seems unnecessary given the small size of the venue. There's no need for music that loud when the restaurant is just a single small room.</p>
Protection of children from harm	No	
Please suggest any conditions that you think could be added to the licence to remedy your representations or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub Committee to take into account		<p>It would be preferable if music could be kept to a reasonable volume and finish at a reasonable time such as 11pm and not 1am as it has previously. This is far too late to be playing music in a residential area.</p> <p>Some additional soundproofing to the venue would be appreciated. This is a very small venue with a patio seating area and a lot of noise bleeds into the surrounding area when the doors are left open.</p> <p>The venue does not really need to amplify music via loud speakers as the room is small</p> <p>Clientele also need to be mindful of local residents, and keep their voices down when leaving at late hours so as to not contribute to existing problems with social disorder</p>

SIGNED:

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DATED:

4 December 2023

NOTES

1. If you do make a representation you will be invited to attend a meeting of the Licensing sub Committee and any subsequent appeal proceeding. If you do not attend, the Committee will consider any representations that you have made.
2. This form must be returned within the Statutory Period, which is 28 days from the date the notice was displayed on the premises or the date specified in the Public Notice in the newspaper. Please contact the Licensing Section if you are in doubt about the date.

3. They can only relate to the four licensing objectives.
4. Your representation will be passed to the applicant, to allow them the opportunity of addressing your concerns. Your representations will be published in the report available to the Licensing Committee, which will be publicly available.
5. Please return this form when completed to:

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