Residents Meeting. 21st October 6.30pm

Attendees

Alison Rogers Flat owner

Marie Williams & Stuart Firth

Martin Rivett & Nathan Hatten

Peter Watkins

Advisor to Stuart & Marie.

Ali Rogers gave her view of what the hearing was for to explain to all parties why we are where we are.

(This was factually incorrect in several points)

She stated that we did not let the room see any photos or the noise report - I corrected her and said we allowed the photos but she stated she had more to show after the noise report?

She stated to the residents that we asked for 53 1hour extensions on special days? I think I counted 13.

Alison Rogers suggested that all Residents, Interested parties should attend a residents meeting even if they are not residents, It was also suggested that in further meetings shop owners and other commercial road residents could attend to sort out local issues.

Alison Rogers was furious that I had not invited to her to the first meeting as I did not class her as a resident as she was not living on site or near by, She stated that as her name was on the electoral role for the flat this was her second home and she could comment on current issues and historical issues. This was to be noted in the minutes.

I asked the room what issues they have had since my hours have extended and if there had been any issues.

Alison Rogers stated that historical problems should be brought up as the hearing previously was void and we were starting fresh presenting new evidence,

I explained that I have tried to address all previous issues and that I want to ensure that residents are happy with the current trading hours and that they had not been adversely effected by the extra hour, the residents agreed that there had not been any adverse effect.

I asked if there were any current issues adding the additional hour to the site and in general.

Martin Rivett said sometimes when he was in the flat he could hear a slight base when watching the TV and the TV audio stopped, He also stated that it did not stop him sleeping and did not wake him up and he is happy, I said I would look at reducing the bass level again.

Nathan Hatton mention the contractors emptying the skips to the rear at 5.30 am, I said id speak to the contractors to move this collection later.

Martin Rivett mentioned that he could hear Weatherspoon's emptying their bottle bins every night.

He mentioned that in the past he had heard the side fire door being slammed closed after persons

had been ejected but has not heard this for some time, I explained that the doors had been replaced and this exit is not used for ejections. He was happy.

Martin Rivet said he could hear our air handling units and extract system running, I explained that his landlord had put a soundproof layer under his balcony to deaden this which has rotted along with the flooring of his balcony, he has spoken to his landlord who has refused to carry out repairs to help deaden the sound of the units. I said I would look into reducing fan speeds to try to help and any possible solutions that we could do.

Alison said that one of the residents in the very top flat suffered from the flashing lights of the emergency vehicles attending Yates below, I asked her for clarification as to what vehicles and times and when this was, she had no dates or times, I explained that this flat in question was not over our property as it was above munchies and asked her what information she had that tied it to us, she did not have any info this is only what was mentioned to her. Alison asked for dates and times of all incidents where emergency vehicles had attended Yates with their lights flashing so that she could go back to the resident to match these times and dates up.

Alison Rogers questioned if we had signs in place and I pointed these out to her and where they were and at the right size.

She asked about boards in the street asking people to be quiet and I said that our door staff as part of our dispersal policy remind patrons to leave quietly, I said that we can't control passers-by and general public as a whole, Alison suggested that if we hear noisy passers-by that we remind them that they are in a residential area and to keep quiet, I replied that we cannot police the streets.

Alison suggested that more police could be present of a night time, I asked how this was relevant to the meeting and she said that with the police and council at the hearing this would be a good opportunity to let residents have their say on policing levels.

(At this point Stuart and Marie shook their head in disbelief as this showed that her agenda was about commercial road)

Alison asked Stuart and Marie if they had any issue and they said no !!! Absolutely no issue with yates and their issue was the road in general, they stated that they had no noise issues with Yates (They are happy Stuart will attend the hearing as Marie is working)

Alison rogers reminded the room that Yates licence could be taken back to 11am ?????? She said that if this was the case that the taxis would move somewhere else to pick up late night revellers as they drank in a different location, Marie was very vocal and said to Alison that this would not make any difference as the area was a designated taxi rank and people will still come to the area outside yates at all hours, Alison rogers did not grasp that taxis can't just all form a rank anywhere.

The two residents agreed that indeed the issue in hand was as to whether there has been any issues since the extension of the licence and they were both very vocal to say that no adverse effects has happened as a result of the extension.

All residents that have attended are happy with the extra hour which is the matter in hand and not how busy we were in 2012 when we had queues.

Meeting Ended.

