## Adkins, Carla

From:

mariah anne

Sent:

20 December 2019 22:51

To:

Adkins, Carla

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asb; Coles, Elizabeth

Subject:

OBJECTION/REPRESENTATION to The Banks application for new license

Dear WCC licensing,

My name is Mariah, I live at in Amesbury town centre with my husband and my 10 month old baby. We have recently been made aware of the applications that have been applied for by The Bank Cocktail Bar, and I am writing to you to object to the application.

I think it is absolutely absurd that it was allowed for a 'cocktail bar' to open in the first place, considering it's more of a nightclub than a cocktail bar. We feel there was never, and still isn't, any consideration for us residents living nearby. The noise from 'The Bank' is unbearable most nights and I can only expect it to get worse with a front entrance which will almost be right outside our house.

The disturbance we experience is already frustrating and shouldn't have to be tolerated. To give you a little insight to what we go through every weekend, and some mid week nights, here are a few points to the disturbance we experience.

- 1. The noise and the bass from The Bank can be heard and felt over our television and through closed windows right through till gone 2am. We have complained to the council however I still feel that they don't take us residents at beechwood court into consideration when planning events or issuing licenses.
- 2. The loud music wakes my baby up several times a night when they're open and we struggle to settle him back down because it goes on till 2/3am. They just don't have any respect for residents, despite our complaints. Given that we pay private rent for our property, and should not have to live under these circumstances.
- 3. The antisocial behaviour after closing is appalling. I am constantly on edge wondering what's happening outside our gates. I hear fights, scrapping and arguments all the time, swearing and screaming at one another and punching things from what I can hear. And I again can hear all this through closed windows and it's like they're right outside my window. And this is baring in mind the 'Banks' entrance and exit is on the opposite side of the building. This disturbance can get quite alarming sometimes, especially when police vans pull up outside. To hear this commotion outside gives me major anxiety, especially when my husband has to work away and I am caring for my baby alone. I get quite scared on my own when all the screaming is going on and this will only get louder and worse if the entrance is on the street. This is no way to live. I imagine there will be queues to get in, much like the chapel nightclub in Salisbury, and this will only add to the disturbance.

4. To add to the antisocial behaviour, the state of the street the morning after is disgusting. The amount of food and sick all over our paths and our driveway is appalling also, this in turn will make Amesbury unappealing.
We have complained to the council about the noise from The Bank before but not much got done about it. We were not made aware, moving in to this property, that the noise would be this bad because if we did, we wouldn't have moved here. We are currently seeking elsewhere to live because although it's a lovely property, for the amount of rent and council tax we have to pay, it's not worth the hassle and the disturbance especially when there is such disregard from Amesbury town council, as-well as Wiltshire county council. It's quite frankly an awful area to live. The disruption really spoils the area and gives Amesbury a bad name, which in turn ruins the appeal.
I don't enjoy complaining or getting involved in things like this and I'm sorry I'm having to write this but this has gone on far too long now and I hope now something will be done and you will reconsider the licensing arrangements with The Bank.
I look forward to hearing a response.
Regards,
Mariah Hanson
Amesbury