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27<sup>th</sup> September 2021

My reference: P/PR/EHTS/LIC/130238

Dear Sir/Madam,

# Licensing Act 2003 Re:Cabbys Rum Bar, Arch 411 St Pauls Way, London E3 4AG

Following on from my initial representation of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021, in support of the review for the above, I wish to add the following for Members consideration.

Further complaints were received on:

- **12**<sup>th</sup> **September 2021** the complaint reports that the customers of the venue are leaving and urinating in Turners Rd nearby and close to residential properties and the music from cars from the customers as they leave. The parties go on until 4-5am and noise throughout the night.
- **4**<sup>th</sup> **September 2021** complaints report loud noise from club from 2pm to 8pm causing disturbance.
- **1**<sup>st</sup> **August 2021** Complainant reports "the noise coming from this company/venue is unbelievable. The noise is persistent from amplified speakers, excessively loud and has been repeated for at least 4 weeks now." It is especially bad on Sundays.
- **12**<sup>th</sup> **July 2021** resident reports urination from customers leaving the venue, loud noise from those leaving.



Tower Hamlets Council Town Hall Mulberry Place 5 Clove Crescent E14 2BG In addition to complaints we have to add the following from visits made by Late Night Levy/Police patrols

#### Saturday 14th August 2021 01:15: CAD 239/14AUG21 CABBYS RUM BAR- UME

This venue was attended by the licensing serial initially and we attended the venue after. It was an event with security staff that did not engage with Police. There was approximately 60+ people inside the court yard with none of them engaging with police.

**30**<sup>th</sup> **July and 31**<sup>st</sup> **July 2021** report no incidences however it was unclear from the patrol which time period they attended.

## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021 00:15:

Phillip Puczka Bar tender

Spoke initially with a male who was hesitant to speak to police and refused all details. Had said that all persons at location are staff having a gathering after work. It was apparent to officers that there were around 25-30 people on tables at location. Fire was alight and no music could be heard. This unknown male eventually went to get the manager after a short debate whether they were in breach of license of not.

Phillip came to speak to police. He had then stated that all persons at location were friends of them. When asked if they were colleagues he said it was a mixture. Phillip said that they already closed and padlock was in fact on the gate of the venue on police arrival. He had said that no alcohol sales were taking place and that the bar was closed. Phillip allowed police into the premises to check but only one officer. There was music playing inside but at a very low volume, advised to turn off immediately. No patrons within the venue, only outside. Some patrons had cups in their hands and clearly drinks which were still half filled or full were on the tables. It appeared to officers that drinks must have been still served or that the people drinking them were very slow. Advised to close but Phillip was adamant that they were not in the wrong and said that he would like to speak to Tower Hamlets licensing direct about this. It was apparent that venue was padlocked up, but still a lot of people within the premises. This was captured on Body worn video.

## Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021 00:15

The venue was closed. No issues or concerns surrounding music, noise or sale of alcohol.

## Friday 9th July 2021 01:15

No issues or concerns. Venue was closed and in darkness. No noise or egress coming from the venue.

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021 02:20

Gate locked, apparent no persons in venue and in darkness.

In addition to the above Ms Corinne Holland attended the venue on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021 for purposes of checking the notice on display, the Officer spoke with Filip Puczka and Jelani Lewis, of which they stated that the distillery is wholly in Unit 412 and that Unit 411 was sublet to them by Moses.

I raise the concern with Members of the actual unit where the alcohol is being sold which may appear to be at Unit 412, which is not licensed for the purposes of the sale of alcohol. The initial application for a licence was made in Unit 412 but changed to 411, which we were informed where the packing and distribution takes place. If Unit 411 is sublet there is the question whether any distribution for off sales is taking place within Unit 412 which is unauthorised.

It is therefore the opinion of the Licensing Authority that the licence should be revoked in its entirety.

Yours faithfully,

Kathy Driver
Principal Licensing Officer

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