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**Re: Smoked Street Kitchen - New Premises Licence**

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**Smoked Street Kitchen** < >  
To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

3 July 2023 at 09:21

Further to the two complaints raised, I would like to reply as follows:

Ms B.

Firstly the dates and times applied for on the licence for alcohol and music were agreed with Katy Lane from the licencing department at the council who came to meet with us at Smoked and gave the impression that these times would not be a problem. The music was only ever agreed to be inside the restaurant, not in the garden and would not be 5 nights a week only on certain occasions for certain events.

This property has for the past 20 years plus always held a drinks licence and had live music in the garden each year for folk week since 2008-2019 when Sinatra's cafe bar was there.

The flats next door to Smoked were built during the time of this property being a cafe/restaurant licenced venue and were bought in the knowledge of knowing there had been a business running here for many years and no previous objections have been known.

I have taken over the tenancy of [92 High Street, Broadstairs](#) from the people who owned Sinatra's Cafe Bar and still own the freehold of the property, who held an alcohol licence the whole time so I cannot see why a change of use has been stated in the complaint as Sinatras and Yun restaurant, after Sinatras closed, was also an evening business.

Ms Bailey I also note does not live close to Smoked either, so struggle to comprehend why she may have an issue with noise when she lives several streets away from my restaurant.

Mr S

I would like to stress although I am the owner of the business, I have managers who are involved in the running of the day to day business who have considerable previous experience in this industry. My general manager Mrs Lauren Debling ran Sinatra's Cafe Bar for 10 years plus, my other manager Melissa Beedon holds a personal

licence and is used to the industry also. In the whole time Mrs Debling was manager of Sinatra's not one complaint was made to the licencing dept of the council or the police for any disturbances or issues.

Smoked is a restaurant and we aim to offer the cocktails for an added experience, this is not a pub venue but a restaurant.

Please refer to the above comments about the property being a cafe/restaurant bar before the flats were built and purchased, so Mr Shafto must have been aware of [92 High Street](#) being a business for over 25 years plus even when Daisy's was there previous to Sinatra's. His comment about purchasing their properties due to the quiet and undisturbed nature of the surroundings which is surprising when the properties front the high street with high foot fall from pubs and other licenced restaurants including a licenced restaurant on the corner of Vere Road.

As previously stated no music will be held in the garden and only on certain occasions inside as agreed with Ms Lane and no alcohol would be served after 10pm.

I would like to reiterate that Mrs Debling has many years of experience running a business and is the daughter of Mrs Alger who still owns the property and has an exemplary record.

Hopefully the above has helped to address and clarify the concerns raised and that the license can now be granted as a lot of money and time has gone into building this business and was relying on the summer months as the next few months will be the most important in making this business work which I feel smoked can become a successful business to add diversity in an eating establishment by offering a different and welcoming place for customers to eat.

Also I would like to note if a meeting is still required I would like to request this happen as soon as possible as I said above the summer months will be most important to us to really get the business up and going as a lot of money has gone into the business and effort and in this climate it is extremely hard for businesses as it is.

Thank you

Jamie child

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