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2015/7207/P	Dan Maiden	The Fiddler's Elbow	22/04/2016 15:01:51	COMMNT	<p>The Fiddler"s Elbow is a live music venue, which is steeped, in musical history. It is known throughout the world for providing live entertainment at all levels, professional and amateur. It has been doing this for over 40 years in different guises. Live music is a huge part of the cultural heritage of England and is central to the development of vibrant communities</p> <p>There are innumerate cases of people knowingly moving within close proximity of live music venues, only to try to have their licenses revoked or have them closed completely when they take exception to the noise.</p> <p>It is extremely detrimental to the UK"s entertainment industry, particularly on a grassroots level, when all the music venues start disappearing. Music is a key British export and to endanger our strong national artist community is to endanger a key British industry and Camden has been a huge contributor in this field.</p> <p>As such, anyone who wishes to buy or rent a property within a determined distance of a music venue should have to read and sign legislature that waives their right to complain about the noise from the nearby venue. If they do not wish to be bothered by something that was a fixture of the community long before they arrived, they should not move there in the first place. Can something like this be put into the agreements of people moving into the new builds?</p> <p>We are concerned about this build being so close to The Fiddler’s Elbow that new residents will start complaining about the noise. We are currently not next to any other building, which along with our stringent noise control procedures helps buffer any sound emitting from the venue during performances. I am aware of the noise tests on the developers report, but this is alien to me as I am not a builder or property developer. It may be all well that they have carried out these tests, but what assurances have we got that this is enough? What sound proofing materials will be used in the actual new building to ensure protection for the residents and us alike?</p> <p>The Government has announced new legislation to protect music venues in planning law. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Order 2016 was presented to Parliament on 11th March 2016 and came into effect from April 6th 2016.</p> <p>We want assurances that local authorities will use their powers to ensure that live music continues to play a vital economic, cultural and social role here at The Fiddler’s Elbow.</p> <p>We have not been invited to any of the meetings or discussions about this development. Or if we have, then we have not known about it. We would like to be informed, and part of, any future discussions.</p>