From:

Sent: 25 March 2020 09:09

To: Planning

Subject: SC - M3/Trim - 26/03/2020 - Planning application 2020/0691/P, No Limits

Hospitality / The Lord Southampton Pub

Attachments: Sight_2020_03_07_234034_084.jpg; Sight_2020_03_14_233601_018.jpg; Sight_

2020_03_15_031731_363.jpg; Sight_2020_03_15_031848_321.jpg; WP_20190819_ 18_49_54_Pro.jpg; WP_20190819_23_54_02_Pro.jpg; WP_20190928_23_50_41

_Pro.jpg

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Completed

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to object to the above retrospective planning application regarding the Lord Southampton Pub.

I live in Whitebeam House on Maitland Park Road. Between Whitebeam & the Pub is some open green space & the site of the former community centre, now demolished. I also know some residents in St. Pancras Almshouses, the sheltered housing scheme opposite the Pub, who also seem to have had issues with the hostel.

The hostel has been run as a club 18-30 holiday camp rather than anything that should be in the middle of a residential area for a couple of years now. The name tells you everything you need to know. Last year in particular there was constant noise nuisance & anti-social behaviour caused by the visitors to the hostel, seemingly encouraged by the staff there. Rather than trying to control the behaviour it appeared the staff were leading the charge.

I've attached a couple of photos. On a very regular, nearly nightly basis I have the same issue. The hostel will encourage the visitors to stay in Pub till closing time, then lead them on mass down to Camden. This seems to be an organised by the staff. They're all quite drunk & so are often screaming & shouting as they go down the road. They then return in smaller groups through the night, often at 2.00am or 3.00am in the morning, sometimes later, again generally shouting & being noisy.

On occasions, particularly last summer, returning groups would sit down in the green area between Whitebeam Hse & the pub to continue drinking, talking & shouting. This was going on till 4.00am in the morning some nights. And then during the day it would resume – I've lost track of how many times myself & others in Whitebeam House have called Camden's security patrol for this

A further issue is the Pub acts as a magnet for the all of those who Martha, the previous owner, would have barred. On a regular basis last summer there were people outside, drinking spirits they've brought in with them & smoking cannabis. And if people do ever get barred they're not barred for long as the staff change so often.

As to whether it's still used as a local pub, I'd say no. I used to pop in on an irregular basis but would no longer bother as often you have to wait so long for a drink – staff will be upstairs or somewhere else, dealing with the hostel side of the business, which is clearly where the money is.

I've attached a couple of photos – a group heading to Camden 14/3/20 at 11.36pm, then some of them coming back 3.15 the next morning & returning to the hostel. Same thing on 7/3/20, also couple of photos from last year. What the photos obviously don't show is the noise.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

