

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2022/1721/P	Susan Trackan	25/08/2022 17:57:15	COMMNT	<p>Objection to the Gatehouse's Planning Application for 1 Hampstead Lane</p> <p>The Gatehouse is the largest of Highgate's 6 pubs. It has entrances on Hampstead Lane and Highgate West Hill both of which are residential streets. To the rear it either abuts or faces the gardens and bedrooms of residential properties.</p> <p>It has made its rear yard into an outdoor dining area which at the end nearest its neighbours has minimal soundproofing. It is often noisy especially in the evenings. Its back doors onto the dining area are usually open allowing drinkers free access to the area.</p> <p>The Gatehouse has done nothing to mitigate its noise level. Indeed, during the Football World Cup we could hear the Gatehouse's screening of football matches and their rowdy supporting customers from inside our bedroom, through the double glazed closed windows. Our garden is often unusable in the evenings because of the noise level. We have complained to the staff and only when we threatened to call the police did staff get their customers to quieten down. Since Covid, the use of the outdoor dining area has increased and so too has the noise level emanating from it.</p> <p>The Gatehouse owners propose to incorporate Number 1 Hampstead Lane into the ground floor of the present pub thus substantially increasing its size. There will be more drinkers with access into the garden area. Allowing free access from number 1 Hampstead Lane into the pub garden will allow more drinkers to go into the garden and will thus exacerbate the current noise nuisance. We live in a residential area and should not be subjected to nuisance.</p> <p>I urge the Council to take our concerns to heart and to refuse the to allow the construction of doors from the rear of 1 Hampstead Lane.</p>
