

Timeline:

(DS = ██████████, LM = ██████████, AG = ██████████).

1.3.19 - review served.

18.3.19 – DS noted that *'Music has got a little louder strangely enough since Application went in. They have a DJ in Saturday afternoon who is also turning music up a bit. Tried to record it, but not quite loud enough to get good recording. I had a friend over, she could really hear it.'*

18.3.19 – LM noted that *'I have heard music on Friday nights for the last 2 weeks - not loud enough to complain about but loud enough to be heard! Usually between 11 and midnight. Funnily enough, we haven't noticed anything on Saturdays.'*

22.3.19 – AG noted that *'It's Friday 22nd, 23.49 hours, and it is the loudest it has been all year. Awful heavy base. Impossible to sleep.'*

23.3.19 – LM noted that *'I went to bed very early with sleeping pill because we are travelling this morning, but I made a note at 22.07 that there was very loud thumping. I was lucky enough to drop off after that!'*

25.3.19 – Applicants contacted by John Crockford, WCC.

'Dear Soho Loft residents,

I have been contacted by Leslie Kwarteng in relation to a new sound system at 100 Wardour Street. Testing of a demo version of this sound system has been carried out recently within the premises. I attended a demonstration of this equipment a couple of weeks ago and it was evident that there was increased containment of the music noise level in the dance floor area and there was far better clarity of sound. Following on from this demo the operator (D&D) have commissioned the installation of a full replacement sound system at 100 Wardour Street. The system is due to be fully operation by the end of April.

Leslie has asked if I can make contact with you to arrange a further test of the sound system and setting of the sound limiting device in the immediate period after the system is installed. It is proposed that a further test is carried out on Thursday 2nd May at 1000hrs. I do hope that this date/time is convenient and you will be able to accommodate this test of the new sound system. I look forward to hearing from you in due course.'

29.3.19 - correspondence received from licence holder's solicitor enclosing a 'preliminary response' and a Noise Report. The response included the information that the licence holder *'is replacing the current sound system in its entirety...to minimise any external sound span so as to ensure that it is not audible in the Soho Loft apartments...The sound limiter will be password protected so as to ensure that any levels set by the City Council cannot be overridden by unauthorised persons.'* The response confirmed that the installation was due to be completed by 22.4.19.

29.3.19 – email from DS to John Crockford (see attached).

29.3.19 – statutory consultation period ended.

30.3.19 – DS noted *'On Saturday I noticed that 100 Wardour St were using additional amplification (a breach) and managed to get a photo.'* Reported to John Crockford 2.4.19 with photo.

1.4.19 – email from John Crockford to DS (see attached).

9.4.19 – DS email to John Crockford with photo, seemingly showing use of additional amplification equipment (attached).

11.4.19 – Email from Maxwell Owusu Koduah.

22.4.19 – As per previous correspondence on behalf of licence holder, new sound system should have been fully installed and operational.

24.4.19 – Email from John Crockford to DS (attached).

29.4.19 – DS noted that *'Music was pretty loud early Saturday and myself and Izzy did both call Noise Team. They came and visited Izzy. They could hear audible music.'*

2.5.19 – Noise Testing carried out with full co-operation from applicants.

3.5.19 – Exchange of emails between DS and John Crockford re: the noise testing (see attached).

4.5.19 – Email from Rachel Ejeutami (WCC) to DS re: further action arising from the noise testing.