

## Temporary Event Notice

### Personal Details of Premises User

Your Name (please read note 1)

Title *	Mr
First Name *	Ronald
Surname *	Sempa
Have you been known by any previous names, including a maiden name? *	No

### Personal Details of Premises User

Date of Birth *	01/01/1970
Place of Birth *	London
National Insurance Number *	AA 12 34 567 89

### Current Address

We will use this address and contact details to correspond with you unless you specify an alternative correspondence address.

Street Address *	123 High Street
	London
Town/City *	London
Postcode *	SW1A 1AA

### Current Address

Daytime Telephone Number \*

[Redacted]

Evening Telephone Number

[Redacted]

Mobile Telephone Number

[Redacted]

Fax Number

[Redacted]

Email Address \*

[Redacted]

Do you have an alternative correspondence address you would like us to use? \*

No

### The Premises

Premises Address

112 WHITEHORSE ROAD CROYDON CROYDON CR0 2JF

Does a premises licence or club premises certificate have effect in relation to the premises, or any part of the premises? If so, please select and enter the Premises Licence Number or Club Premises Certificate Number.\*

No - Neither

### Premises

If you intend to use only part of the premises at this address or intend to restrict the area to which this notice applies, please give a description and details. (Please read note 3)

I intend to use all the premises. The owner has given me permission to use the whole premises.

Please describe the nature of the premises. (Please read note 4) \*

Its is a SHISHA LOUNGE that provides non alcoholic drinks only. KANI LOUNGE 112 WHITE HORSE ROAD

Please describe the nature of the event. (Please read note 5) \*

I am getting married and part of my tradition (Ugandan) as a wider family is to fundraise for the wedding. This is going to be a wedding fundraising event. The event name is called "OLD SKOOL VS AFRO BEATS END OF SUMMER PARRY"

### Licensable Activities

Please state the licensable activities that you intend to carry on at the premises (please tick all licensable activities you intend to carry on). (Please read note 6) \* More than one can be selected.

## Licensable Activities



The sale by retail of alcohol



The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of, a member of the club



The provision of regulated entertainment (Please read note 7)



The provision of late night refreshment

Are you giving a late temporary event notice? (Please read note 8) \*

No

Please state the dates on which you intend to use these premises for licensable activities (Please read note 9). \* Start Date

30/09/2023

End Date

01/10/2023

Please state the times during the event period that you propose to carry on licensable activities (please give times in 24 hour clock). (Please read note 10) \*

1900 - 0300

Please state the maximum number of people at any one time that you intend to allow to be present at the premises during the times when you intend to carry on licensable activities, including any staff, organisers or performers. (Please read note 11) \*

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If the licensable activities will include the sale or supply of alcohol, please state whether these will be for consumption on or off the premises, or both (please read note 12). \*

On the premises only

Please state if the licensable activities will include the provision of relevant entertainment. If so, please state the times during the event period that you propose to provide relevant entertainment (including, but not limited to lap dancing and pole dancing). (Please read note 13) \*

We will have a DJ playing music and MC's from start of fundraiser 2100-0200 hrs. This is a family cultural fundraising that is strictly adults only. There will be no children at the event.

## Personal Licence Holder

Do you currently hold a valid personal licence? (please read note 14)\*

No

## Previous Temporary Event Notices

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Have you previously given a temporary event notice in respect of any premises, for events falling in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving this temporary event notice? (please read note 15) \*

No

## Previous Temporary Event Notices

Have you already given a temporary event notice for the same premises in which the event period either; ends 24 hours or less before begins 24 hours or less after the event period proposed in this notice? \*

No

## Associates and Business Colleagues

Has any associate of yours given a temporary event notice for an event in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving a temporary event notice? (please read note 16) \*

No

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Has any associate of yours already given a temporary event notice for the same premises in which the event period; a) ends 24 hours or less before; or b) begins 24 hours or less after the event period proposed in this notice? \*

No

Has any person with whom you are in business carrying on licensable activities given a temporary event notice for an event in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving a temporary event notice? \*

No

## Associates and Business Colleagues

Has any person with whom you are in business carrying on licensable activities already given a temporary event notice for the same premises in which the event period: a) ends 24 hours or less before; or b) begins 24 hours or less after the event period proposed in this notice? \*

No

## Declaration

Please ensure you submit all the information required to support your proposal. Failure to submit all the information required could result in your notice being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all the information required by the licensing authority has been submitted. Please read guidance note 17 for further information. I understand that a copy of this notice will be sent to the chief officer of police for the area in which the premises are situated. I understand that a copy of this notice will be sent to the local authority exercising environmental health functions for the area in which the premises are situated. If the premises are situated in one or more licensing authority areas, I understand that the issuing authority will send

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at least one copy of this notice to each additional licensing authority. If the premises are situated in one or more police areas, I understand that the issuing authority will send a copy of this notice to each additional chief officer of police.

It is a condition of this temporary event notice that where the relevant licensable activities described include the supply of alcohol that all such supplies are made by or under the authority of the premises user. (please read note 18)

The information contained in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that it is an offence: (i) to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in or in connection with this temporary event notice and that a person is liable on summary conviction for such an offence to a fine of any amount; and (ii) to permit an unauthorised licensable activity to be carried on at any place and that a person is liable on summary conviction for any such offence to a fine of any amount, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or to both.

Name of Person Signing \*

RONALD SEMPA

Date \*

18/08/2023



Declaration Made

## Email confirmation

On submission an email confirmation will be sent using the details below

Forename

Ronald

Surname /Company Name

Sempa

Email \*

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX@XXXXXX~~

Telephone

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~



**From:** Police Licensing Team.  
Addington Police Station  
Addington Police Station  
Addington Road  
CROYDON CR0 5AQ

**To:** The Licensing Sub-Committee  
London Borough Of Croydon  
c/o Town Hall  
Katherine Street  
CROYDON CR0 1NX

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023

**Ref: TEN application for 112 Whitehorse Road, Croydon CR0 2JF**

Dear Members of the Licensing Committee,

I write on behalf of the Metropolitan Police Service to object to the grant of a Temporary Event Notice (TEN) to 'Kani Lounge' at 110-112 Whitehorse Road, Croydon CR0 2JF.

We have concerns that the applicant, Mr Ronald SEMPA, will be unable to operate the event in a way that upholds the objectives of the Licensing Act 2003, so we request the application is rejected outright.

The reasons for are as follows:

**Public Nuisance:**

The event is being promoted on social media as 'OLD SKOOL VS AFROBEATS END OF SUMMER PARTY' (see appendix at the end of this document). The applicant has told us a DJ will play music at the event and there will be MC's. Although food will be offered (there is no kitchen at the premises) it is not marketed as a dining experience.

When the police visited to look around Kani Lounge to assess the suitability of the venue, the management of the premises said they had never previously had members of the public on site after midnight.

The manager said they operated a relaxed Shisha bar that had been open for 3 months only, and there were no sound systems at the venue. They said because they did not play loud music they had no additional noise mitigation measures in place. There were windows in the ceiling that could be opened to the outside and the rear of the shop could be completely opened up to the outside to disperse fumes – these would not help mitigate noise if they were opened because (for example) people wanted to smoke or go out the back at the event.

There are private residences around the vicinity of the shop, including one directly above the shop.

The applicant has stated the event is to raise funds for his wedding. We wish him well for his forthcoming nuptials but are concerned there would be a temptation to sell as much alcohol as possible and allow anyone who pays the £20 entrance fee to come onto the premises, in order to raise these necessary funds.

This would heighten the risk at the event of harm to the public of crime and disorder, harm to children, and public nuisance.

The event is promoted as a commercial music event by 'Pearlchat Fashion House.' Their Facebook page has 12,000 followers (see appendices). If these followers turned up for the party then there may very likely be significant disruption around the vicinity of the busy junction of Whitehorse Road. There is insufficient public transport to handle this number of people.

There has been no indication how people attending the event will travel to it, parking is very difficult in the area already and at time the event operates local residents will have taken most of the available street parking.

#### Protection of Children:

The applicant has said that children may not attend the event that only adults would be permitted on the premises. However this is not made clear in the promotional material (see appendix) so there is a risk of children attending. Given the event is supposed to be for a wedding, some people may assume that children are permitted to attend.

The premises has no existing bar because it does not sell alcohol, and just putting drinks out on a table to free pour into glasses would not be an appropriate to control alcoholic intoxication on the premises.

The applicant has been advised about the 'Challenge 25' scheme by the police, but this has not been acknowledged in his event plan provided to us.

#### Prevention of Crime and disorder:

The applicant has said he has no personal license or previous experience operating a licensed event or a premises. He says said he has previously invited some friends to an occasion at his sisters home to raise funds for his wedding. The proposed event will be larger in scale and has been promoted to attract more people.

The applicant risks quickly losing control of the event, and there is a high likelihood that people will become excessively intoxicated and the police will end up getting called to deal with the fall out from it. Unfortunately, Saturday nights are periods of high demand for the emergency services who have limited resources.

The applicant has ignored the police advice to operate a ticketed only event to limit the number of persons at the premises, or get their details in advance and tell them about dress codes and what is acceptable behaviour (i.e. 'no drugs or NOx canisters').

The applicant estimates 40-70 will attend but then notes 'any more then lady luck is on my side.' Because the event has been promoted on social media, the applicant has no control over how many people will turn up to the event and appears to have no desire to limit the number of attendees.

The applicant has said that two unpaid volunteer security guards whom he is friendly with would attend the premises. We identified the risk that unpaid volunteers may not always have sufficient

motivation to deal with the public at a late night music venue on a potentially wet and windy autumn Saturday night into the early hours of Sunday. Adversely they may try to 'assist' their friend, the applicant, by turning a blind eye to things they would not ordinarily do in order to help the applicant raise funds. This may involve not searching, or being less robust in searching, customers for weapons and drugs as a condition of entry to the premises.

Given the event is a 'one off' there is less incentive for the organiser to ensure the licensing objectives are upheld to the highest standard possible as many established local licensed venues do (and do not want the problems associated with 3am finishes despite the potential to make more sales).

The applicant has declined alternative options such as holding a private function for invited guests only, ideally at an established licensed premises. The applicant has said this would be too expensive and not raise enough funds. The manager of the premises has told us they would charge £500 for the hire of the venue to the applicant. This should be more than enough to hire alternative venues such as a local church hall or social club with a purpose built bar and experienced staff available for an evening. We have suggested this option but the applicant says it is not an option.

112 Whitehorse Road has insufficient CCTV coverage at the premises for the proposed event, as such this will undermine the ability to prevent crime by investigating a serious incident at the event.

The premises is divided internally into two halves accessed via a small corridor. This prevents security at the front of the premises from spotting trouble inside the premises or in the garden. Security will not have any radios or means to communicate with anyone other than by mobile phone or face to face to summon assistance which is a less than optimal solution.

#### In conclusion:

There are significant risks to the event of security not turning up, large numbers of people unexpectedly arriving, concerns around children, how alcohol will be managed at the premises. The applicant has brushed off these risks and said they are unlikely.

There is a risk this event may become one along the lines we have previously dealt with, and encourage poor planning and excessive risk taking by others on the borough.

We have asked the applicant to consider changing the venue to a more suitable one, changing it to a ticketed event or one with a guest list, or reducing the risks at the event by changing the activities offered or reducing the hours.

The Croydon Statement of licensing policy also raises similar concerns to those mentioned above, and includes reference premises normally closing by midnight on Friday and Saturday nights to prevent public nuisance. There are no other premises in the vicinity used for the proposed licensed activities in the immediate vicinity so there is a risk this may cause an unexpected public nuisance.

We respectfully submit these objections to the Licensing Committee.

Yours Sincerely,

PC Edwin Sear 2157SN

Metropolitan Police Licensing Team



Appendices:



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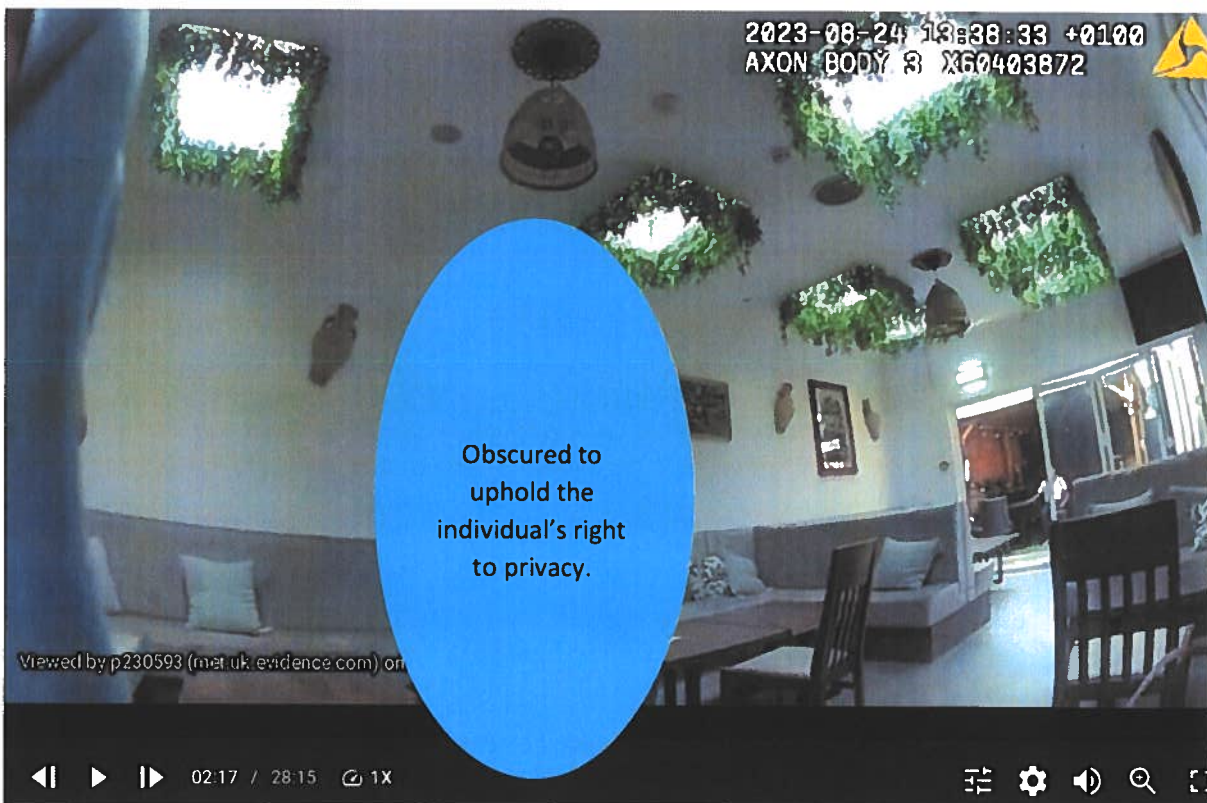


Image from the police visit to Kani Lounge (the premises)

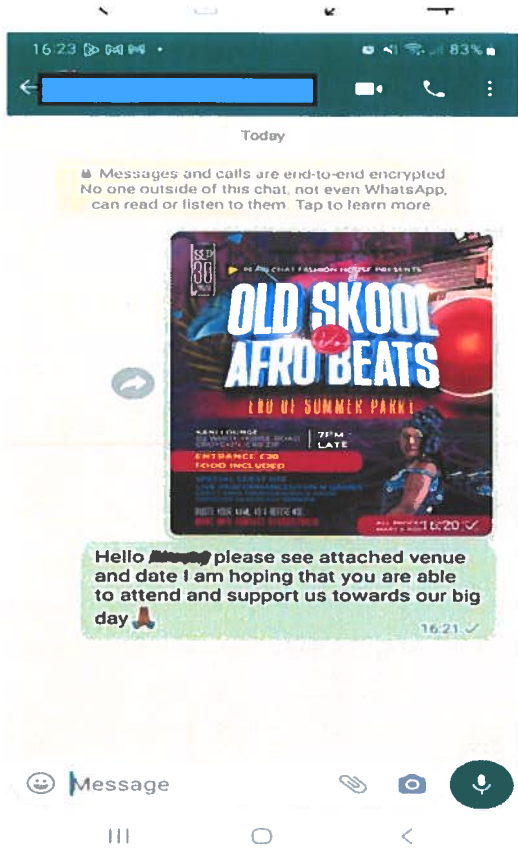


Image provided by applicant (redacted by police) with example of the event's promotional flyer that states £20 entrance fee and 'PearlChat Fashion House Presents'



**Connect with PearlChat Fashion House on Facebook**

Facebook page of PearlChat Fashion House. Image of female in blue dress has been used on the event flyer (above)



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