

Residents Letter

Your ref:

Date: 28th February 2024

Our ref:

BY EMAIL

Dear Sir/Madam,

### COMMITTEE HEARING RESOLUTION

#### **Application for a variation of Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 – Krank Brothers, Finsbury Park, London N4 – 22 February 2024**

**LN/00025053**

The Licensing Sub Committee carefully considered the application for a variation of the premises licence for Krankbrothers at Finsbury Park, London N4, which seeks to increase the capacity from 8000 to 9999 on Friday, and to add another Friday event day adjacent to the Saturday and Sunday.

The Committee decided to grant the increase in capacity from 8000 to 9999 on the additional Friday adjacent to the Saturday and Sunday on licence LN/000023717, for the reasons given above under LN/000023717 and subject to the same conditions.

The Committee decided to refuse to allow a licence for an additional Friday adjacent to the Saturday and Sunday, that would have increased the event days to 6 by having two weekend events running from the Friday to Sunday.

The Committee were persuaded by complaints from residents about how invasive they found the disturbance and noise from the events in the Park and the fact that they were having to keep their windows closed in the summer to reduce the impact of the noise. It was not denied by the applicant that a certain level of disturbance and noise is being caused by the events.

The Committee heard that there were 57 noise complaints from events in 2023 and that many complaints had not been reported. Noise caused by the events is said by residents to be adversely affecting their ability to enjoy their homes and to be preventing residents who do not have a garden from accessing green space for their mental and physical well being.

Given that the Premises license holder already holds one 3 day weekend event and another 2 day weekend event in the Park, usually on consecutive weekends, and there are numerous other events in the park during the summer, the Committee decided that it would undermine the Public Nuisance Licensing objective and significantly impact on residents, to grant a license for another event day on the Friday adjacent to the Saturday and Sunday, as that would mean subjecting residents to two events running from Friday to Sunday, probably on consecutive weekends. It considered the proactive

and reactive measures that the premises licence holder said they would take to promote the prevention of public nuisance, but those measures did not mitigate the impacts of a sixth day of noise and disturbance on residents. In the Committee's view there were no appropriate conditions that it could impose that would mitigate the nuisance impact on residents of having two 3 day weekend events as opposed to one 3 day weekend of event and one 2 day weekend event, as currently licensed.

## **Appeal Rights**

This decision is open to appeal to the Magistrates Court within the period of 21 days beginning on the day upon which the appellant is notified of the decision. This decision does not take effect until the end of the appeal period or, in the event that an appeal has been lodged, until the appeal is dispensed with.

Yours sincerely,

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