

**Licensing Authority; London borough of Lewisham,**  
*Holbeach Office,  
9 Holbeach Road,  
London,  
SE6 4TW.*

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2019**

**Subject: Objection to the application of a premises licence (Planet 68, 68 Rushey Green, Catford, SE6 4JD).**

Sent via email 12/10/19 to [licensing@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lewisham.gov.uk)

To Whom It May Concern at Lewisham Council Licensing Authority,

We would like to object to the application of a (full) variation of a premises licence. The premises in question is Planet 68 trading at 68 Rushey Green, Catford, SE6 4JD.

We would like to object to all particulars of this application. These objections would therefore include all those specifically named under '*Particulars of application applied for*' in the document posted. For clarity these particulars are:

*Live music*

*Recorded music*

*Late night refreshment*

*Supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises.*

Our objections specifically centre around the proposed trading hours of this establishment and we are of the belief that trading at this address should not continue after 23:00 Sunday to Thursday or after 0100 on Friday and Saturday nights, which we understand to be the current arrangements.

We have 2 specific reasons for this; both are related to noise. The front of the establishment (Planet 68) faces Rushey Green, the main road connecting Lewisham to Catford. However the rear of the establishment leads onto a residential courtyard off Wildfell Road. It is directly opposite our neighbours' house at 4 Wildfell Road and at a diagonal to our garden wall at 6 Wildfell Road.

At the moment, we do not have regular concerns regarding noise (music or other) from this venue. However we have been aware of a number of occasions during the past year (notably on Sundays prior to bank holiday Mondays) when the rear access to the premises has been opened and patrons have congregated around it. This has resulted in music and noise from the inside of the establishment coupled with raised voices from patrons outside, becoming a nuisance for us and interrupting our sleep. On the few occasions that this has occurred, noise disturbance has been audible well into the early hours.

this extended licence we could be faced with further noise spillage from this venue on a much more regular basis.

Our second concern is patron access to the premises both by car and on foot. As mentioned earlier, the entrance to this premises is located on Rushey Green Road where there is very limited parking available due to bus lane and red route controls being in place. Therefore the road on which we live, Wildfell Road, which is to the left of Planet 68 (facing the establishment), is often used for parking by customers using shops and other businesses on the main road. After 19:00 parking controls are relaxed on our road meaning that vehicles are able to park on yellow and red lines and in residential bays. We are often disturbed by cars idling with their engines running and by individuals talking loudly outside our home. Most evenings this disturbance tends to subside by 23:00 however we worry that if this venue is open until 01:30 Sunday till Thursday and until 03:30 Friday and Saturday then these disturbances will carry on late into the night.

As Lewisham residents and Council Tax payers, we are genuinely shocked that Lewisham Council are entertaining the idea of granting a licence that allows an establishment to be open this late when it backs right on to a residential area. It seems totally irresponsible to us. The current arrangements of being open until 23:00 Sunday to Thursday and until 01:00 on Friday and Saturday nights would seem to be entirely adequate in this case. Indeed, a cursory look at the operating hours of similar businesses in the local area has indicated that few are open past 23:00.

Please consider what we have said in this application. We would like to stress that we have no problem at all with Planet 68 trading at their current location with their existing hours of operation. We believe it is important to support our local businesses and allow them to grow. However we think that staying open so late is inappropriate adjacent to a residential area and will bring an unacceptable level of noise disturbance to ourselves and our local community.

We do not think it is unreasonable to expect a degree of peace and quiet in our home at night. Please help us to ensure this by keeping Planet 68's opening and operating hours as they currently are. Thank you.

Kind regards,



#### Supporting information

- 1) Photograph: 'Notice of application for variation of a premises licence'.
- 2) Map: Detailed local map.
- 3) Map: Local residential area makeup.

# Photograph of 'Notice of application for variation of a premises licence'

**LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM**  
**LICENSING ACT 2003**  
**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR**  
**VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE**

Date: 1 October 2013

(a) Full Name of applicant: **NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT: Amoge Isabella Okeke**

(b) Name & address of premises: **Trading at: Planet 68, 68 Rushey Green, Catford, SE6 4JD**

(c) A new premises licence or a variation to the existing licensable activities: **has applied to Lewisham Council for: Full Variation**

**Particulars of Application Applied for:**  
 Live Music  
 Recorded Music  
 Late Night Refreshment  
 Supply of Alcohol for consumption ON

Seasonal Variation:  
 12:00 – 03:30 any day proceeding a Bank Holiday, 12:00 – 03:30 Nigerian Independence Day 1<sup>st</sup> October  
 as stated below:

Licensable Activities	Mon		Tues		Wed		Thur		Fri		Sat		Sun	
	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish
SALE OF ALCOHOL ON THE PREMISES	22:40	01:30	22:40	01:30	22:40	01:30	22:40	01:30	00:40	03:30	00:40	03:30	22:40	01:30
LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT	23:00	01:30	23:00	01:30	23:00	01:30	23:00	01:30	23:00	03:30	23:00	03:30	23:00	01:30
LIVE MUSIC														
Recorded Music	12:00	01:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	03:30	12:00	03:30	13:00	01:30

ANYONE WISHING TO OPPOSE THE APPLICATION MUST GIVE NOTICE IN WRITING TO LICENSING AUTHORITY, LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM, HOLBEACH OFFICE, 9 HOLBEACH ROAD, LONDON SE4 4TW OR Email [licensing@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@lewisham.gov.uk) WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, SPECIFYING THE GROUNDS OF OPPOSITION. THE APPLICATION CAN ALSO BE VIEWED AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS DURING OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT.

IT IS AN OFFENCE KNOWINGLY OR RECKLESSLY TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH AN APPLICATION. THE MAXIMUM FINE FOR WHICH A PERSON IS LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION FOR THE OFFENCE IS £5000.

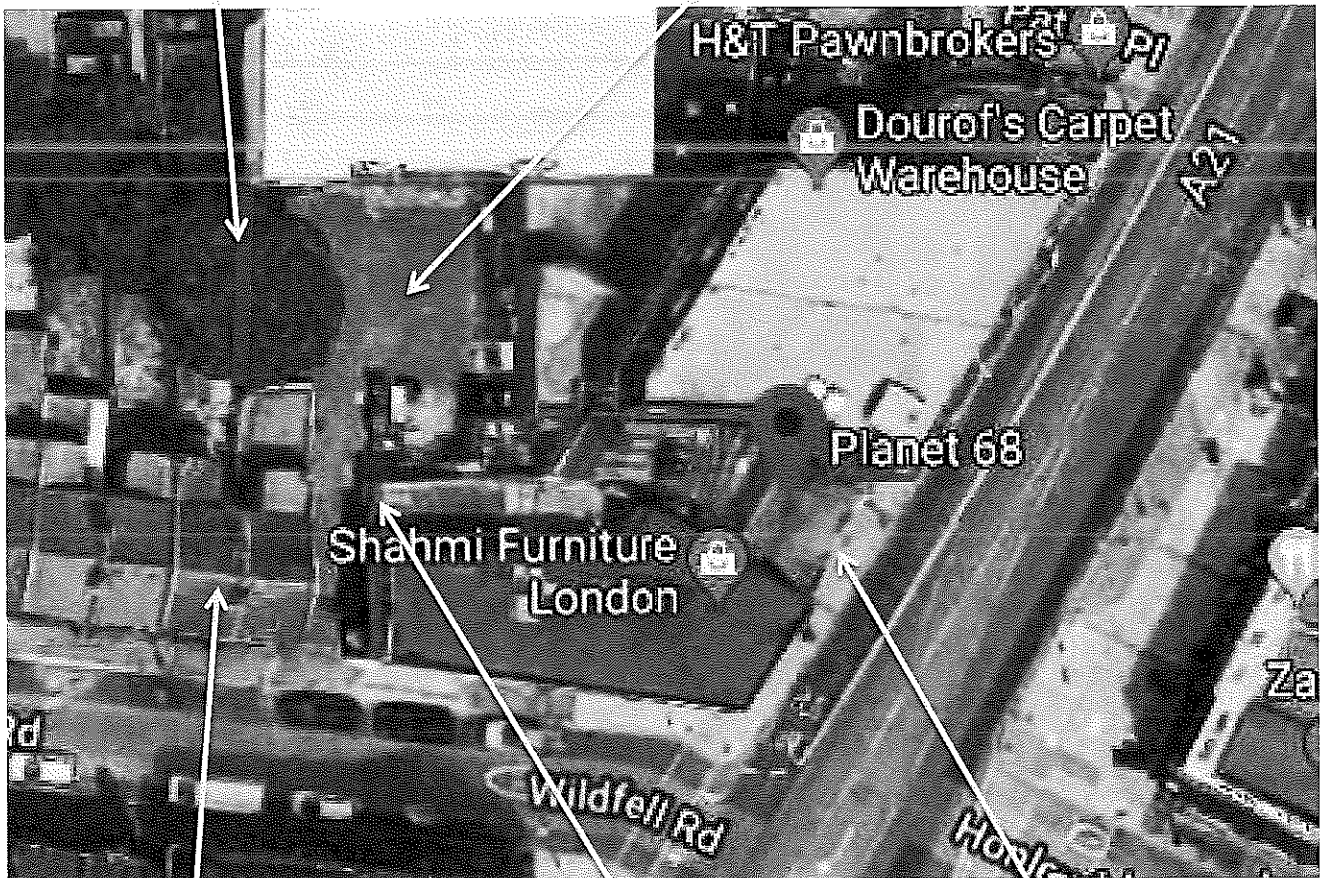
Persons objecting to the grant of a licence must be prepared to attend in person at a hearing before a committee of the Council. NOTE: Your objection will form part of the committee report and forwarded to the applicant. Please let us know if you have a valid reason for your personal details to be removed.

(This notice must be completed and on the same day on which the application is made must be exhibited on a conspicuous part of the premises where it can easily be seen and read by persons in the street. The notices must be kept exhibited for not less than 28 days.)

# Detailed local map for clarity

Our property boundary

Residential courtyard

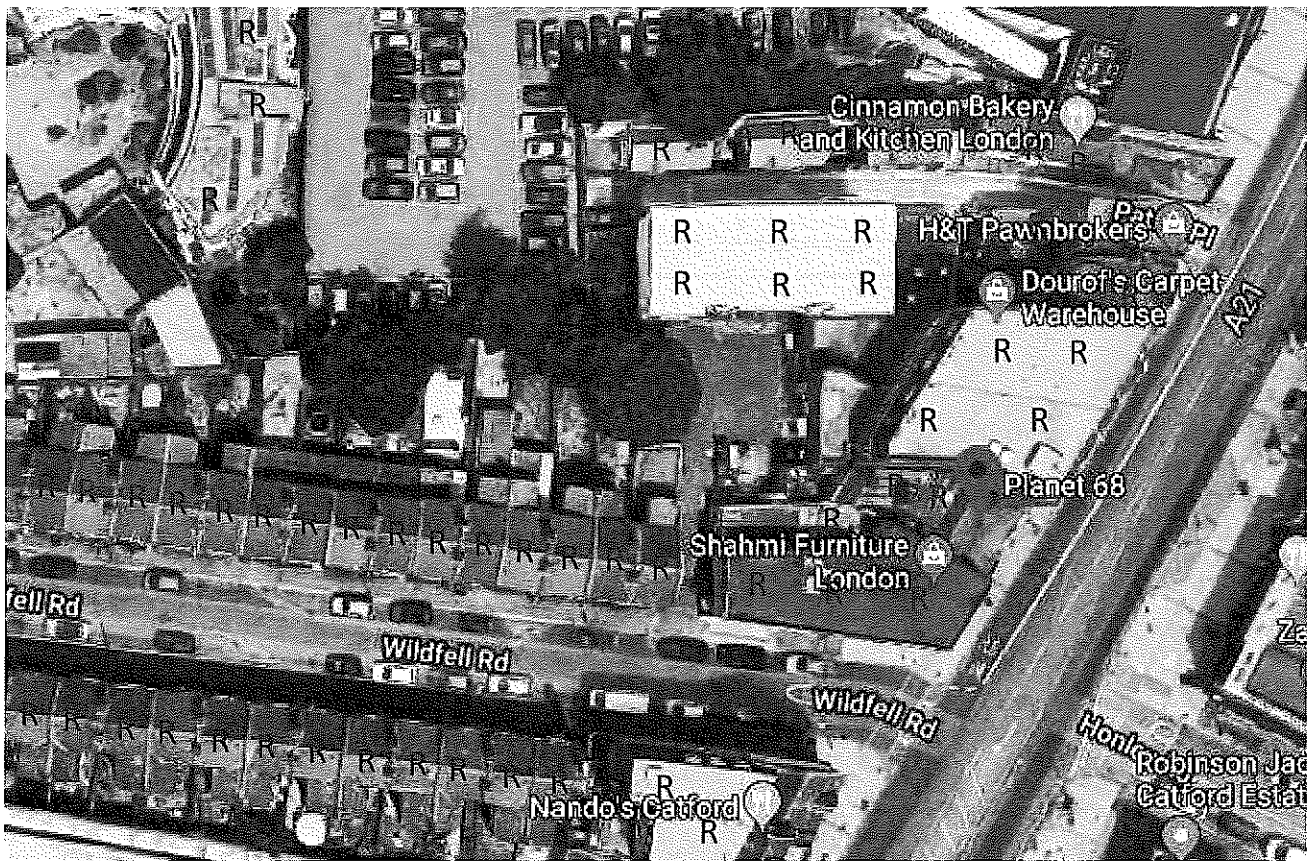


Our property (6 Wildfell road)

Rear access to Planet 68

Main access to Planet 68

Indication of the residential / domestic make up of the local area.



Residential / domestic (non business) properties including houses and flats are marked with the letter 'R'.

