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**12/01052/LAPLA ALAWAR RAHMAN.
PANSHI 24 TOWN ROAD, CROSTON, PR269RS.**

Dear Sir, madam,

My Name is Emma Evans and I am the joint owner of the property directly above the Panshi Restaurant shown above.

The address of the property that we own, but are unable to live in as a family is;-
24a Town Road, Croston, PR26 9RB

We originally purchased this property in July 2007 with a view to moving into it as our next family home when the complete refurbishment renovation had been completed.

Due to unforeseen circumstances and the granting of a late night licence later that year we were unable to move into the property with our young child as planned.

We do still hope that one day we will be able to actually move into our beautiful home as intended but due to the many issues that we have experienced over the past five years regarding noise and odour pollution from the business below, we still do not feel that this would be a suitable home for a young family. Our children, Buzz is now 8 years old and our daughter Saffron is almost eighteen months.

We have therefore, in order to be able to maintain the mortgage and other costs associated with this property had to offer it as a rental property at a significantly reduced market rental rate for a 3 bedroom, 1200 square foot highly developed apartment in the centre of this very pretty conservation village.

We have had many issues over the past 5 years with all of the previous managers in relation to noise disturbances, odour pollution and a general lack of respect for the occupants livings directly above.

The noise issues were particularly noticeable during the period when the business premises were previously licenced when customer noise levels increased as it got later in the evening and the customers had drunk more alcohol.

There were also many occasions reported to us where drunken shouting could be heard both inside the premises, smoking outside the front door and while leaving at the end of service.

In my opinion the building is not suitable to be used as licenced premises as the insulation between the two premises is totally inadequate. In fact there is no insulation between the two premises other than a holed suspended ceiling, the original floorboard to our property and a large access space above the whole restaurant ceiling area.. We have discussed this on many occasions with Mr Rahman and his staff, suggesting that if adequate investment were to be made soundproofing and sealing the separation between the two properties to a satisfactory and approved standard then most of the recurring issues could be resolved.

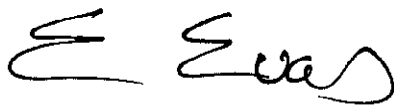
These conversations have also been had with the previous manager Mr Khan and before him Mr Razburn, the current ground floor landlord and leaseholder.

If the current landlord and Mr Rahman are not prepared to be responsible enough to respect the livelihood of the residents living above by investing in the structure of the business property, then again, I doubt that they will be responsible to conduct licensed premises in a respectful and appropriate manner.

I do not feel that any application for licensing at present should be considered until the premises have been professionally assessed and suitable alterations have been completed to prevent any further disturbance to the quality of living to any current and future residents of the private dwelling above the business.

I trust that you can empathise with our situation and try to put yourself in the frustrating and very difficult position that we currently have to endure.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Emma Evans