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Subject: Response to Information request - Ref 380680 (ref: 380680)
Southwark Council - Information request

Our reference: 380680

Dear Mr Cordell

Re: Your request for information: 380680

Thank you for your request for information that was received on 13 March 2014 in which you requested:

I am writing this email due to the below email which says you do not have any information for the dates given.

I know on the 16/02/2013 /17/02/2013 a Noise and Nuisance Team come to a warehouse where a rave was taking place at Bianca Road, SE15.6SJ / Haymerle Road, SE15 6SD, the police was there and around 500 party goers was within a warehouse I also know that a noise abatement orders was put in place on the warehouse on this date.

It is also fact that on the 04/05/2013 / 05/05/2013 a next party took place in the same warehouse again I know as fact that a Noise and Nuisance Team attended on this party and walked fully around the building with a person that had hire there sound system out for this party the Noise and Nuisance Team told him that a noise abatement order was put in place in the Feb 2013 due to noise and that they could legally take the sound system due to this.

The person that Hire there sound system for that party walked around the whole warehouse and took noise levels and said that if the noise was kept with a limited he had said the party could carry on, the police was also there the noise officer left the warehouse to go on to a next place and told the person who had hire there sound system out there was be back through out the night to check if they had kept the sound to the limited that was set.

Therefore I cannot understand why you do not have any information as to these dates.

I there for ask if you have any information on any dates about Bianca Road, SE15.6SJ / Haymerle Road, SE15 6SD, and noise could you please forward any information as to reports, noise abatement orders, and any calls and police IDs and Noise and Nuisance Team officer attending could you please forward this information to me.

I know this as fact as I have been arrested by police for the party that took place in the May 2013 and I am the one that walked around the building with the Noise and Nuisance Team officer as I am the one that Hire my sound system for this night.

If it is that you do have information and cannot give it to me can you please inform me of this, then if it would be easier I could put a section 35 DPA request for the information.

The information that you requested is below

On your original Freedom of Information request ref 375981, a search was made on the

address you gave as Unit 3, 4 Horrisons Industrial Estate, Haymerle Road Se15 6SD for the dates 16-17 February 2013. I can confirm that no records were recorded under that particular address.

This request has requested 'Bianca Road' as a search criteria, and in addition to the 16-17 February 2013, also gives new dates of 4-5 May 2013.

All Calls (Service Requests) received 16-17 February 2013

Our records show 3 service requests were received regarding noise from 'the street' Bianca Road on the 17th February 2013 at:

- 05:37hrs
- 07:50hrs
- 07:53hrs

The first service request was received outside of our operational hours. With regards to the other two service requests, the officers rang the clients at 08:15hrs and 08:25hrs respectively. The first client informed the Officer that the music was no longer bothering them, however, the other client asked for the officers to visit.

Two officers visited the client at 08:45hrs and assessed the level of noise received at the client's premises. No nuisance was witnessed, however, they advised the client to call back should the level rise. No further calls were received, and no Abatement Notice was served on that date.

All Calls (Service Requests) received 4-5 May 2013

According to our records no service requests were received regarding this premises on these dates.

Noise Abatement Notice

On 1 May 2013 the Noise & Nuisance Team received information regarding a potential rave which would allegedly be held on the night of the 4 May 2013.

In response officers visited the site on 1 May 2013, and established that the 'old sausage factory' in Bianca Road was being squatted. Officers spoke to the squatters who were residing there, and whilst they did not substantiate the claim, they did not deny it either. Officers felt that should the rave go ahead it would likely cause a nuisance to nearby residents.

In a proactive attempt to address this, on 3 May 2013 Officers served a section 80 abatement Notice for 'likelihood of nuisance' which effectively prohibited the nuisance from occurring or recurring. Whilst the Notice prohibited the occurrence or recurrence of nuisance from the rave, it could not prevent the rave from taking place.

In addition to the above, Council Licensing officers also visited the site with Police and a warning letter was issued regarding unlicensed entertainment.

Actions on the 4-5 May 2013

The Noise Team made several visits at the following times:

01:37hrs - 2 officers noted that the rave had started; they contacted Southwark Police to

enquire whether there were sufficient resources to shut it down (should a nuisance be witnessed), and were informed that this would be unlikely. They also spoke to the organisers of the rave, and reminded them that the Notice was in place. The organisers reduced the volume to a low level.

03:50hrs - The Noise team Unit Manager also visited the site along with the Police who were attached to the Council's Nighttime Economy Team. She also spoke to the organisers, who stated that they would reduce the volume further on request. No Police ID numbers were taken or recorded.

11:47hrs - 2 officers visited the premises but no nuisance witnessed.

16:53hrs - Same 2 offices visited with nothing being witnessed.

Reports Written

No reports were written on the events for both dates.

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