## STATEMENT OF WITNESS



Statement of: Kaisey Lambert

Age of Witness: (if over 18 enter "over 18") 26

Occupation of Witness: Day Nursery Manager

This statement, consisting of ( two ) page each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and is tendered in evidence.

Dated: 07 February 2023

Signed:

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022 until 12 midnight, there was constant loud music coming from the White Lion premises which could be heard over my TV in my apartment (13 The George Hotel, High Street, LE13 0TU) it also occurred the following night on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022 until 12 midnight. This gave me immediate feelings of anxiety as I knew the White Lion was starting its regular outdoor music again, which disturbed my summer in 2021. I did contact the venue in 2021 to highlight my concerns but there was no resolution to this.

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022 until 12 midnight, the music was louder than it had ever been, I could clearly hear every song played, including the lyrics sang, I had to close all of my windows to try and block the noise out, which made my house feel very hot, due to the warm weather conditions.

I sent two audio recordings of the music from the evening of the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022 to Melton Borough Council, which was taken on my iPhone at 11:15pm, as I felt it was becoming even more of a disturbance – submitted in evidence as KL 09-07-22 Audio 1 and KL 09-07-22 Audio 2. From this date, I began to avoid being in my house on Saturday evenings as much as possible, as I felt I could not relax.

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 1am, I was woken by the sound of thudding music in my bedroom, I looked out of my door as I initially believed it was a neighbour, but I quickly realised the music was coming from the town. I noticed on the White Lion's Facebook page that they were holding a LGBT event that night which stated it was on '8 till late'.

## Continuation of Statement of: Kaisey Lambert

Previously there has been no noise/music from the town on Wednesday evenings ever since I moved into my apartment in August 2020, until the White Lion started hosting this LGBT event. I found myself being kept awake until around 2am, which I believe is the time they closed. This had an impact on my day at work, as I work 7.30am until 6pm, I felt tired throughout the day due to the disturbed sleep.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022, the White Lion had their usual amplified music, although this time, when the live music finished at 12 midnight, I continued to hear loud thudding music in my bedroom until around 2am; which kept me awake.

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2022 until 12 midnight, the White Lion had amplified music, which was louder than usual, this was louder than my TV in my living room and bedroom so I felt like I could not escape the noise. I could hear word for word what the band was singing and knew exactly what the song was, I felt it necessary to send video clips to the council as the music was so loud.

Three audio recordings of the music taken at 10pm to Melton Borough Council, submitted in evidence as KL 27-08-22 Audio 1, KL 27-08-22 Audio 2 and KL 27-08-22 Audio 3.

The loud music continued as shown on the noise diary completed and has disturbed my evenings most Saturdays in the Summer of 2022. As shown on the noise diary, I began to feel like I could not complete any activities throughout the day on Saturdays as I wanted to ensure I could sleep in the afternoon, as I knew my sleep would be disturbed in the evenings. As someone who struggles with mental health challenges, sleep is an important part of managing my condition, therefore, not being able to have the regular sleep pattern has had a negative impact on my mental health.

Noise diary submitted in evidence as KL – Noise diary.

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