

Occurrence Number:	URN						
Statement of: Calum Lewis							
Witness contact details:							
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Preferred means of contact (specify details):	email						
Best time of contact (specify details):	Office hours						
Gender:	Male	Date of Birth: over 18	Over 18				
Ethnicity code (16+1):		Place of Birth:	Wales				
Former Name:		Religion/Belief (specify):	None				
DATES OF WITNESS NON-AVAILABILITY:							

Signature:	Calum Lewis	Signature witnessed by:	
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WITNESS STATEMENT

CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

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Age if under 18:	Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')	Occupation:	Environmental Health Officer				
This statement (consisting of 3 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.							
Signature:		Calum Lewis	Date:	22/06/21			

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)

1. I am employed as an Environmental Health Officer by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council (NPTCBC). I have a full Environmental Health Registration Board (EHORB) qualification. I am authorised by NPTCBC to conduct enforcement duties utilizing The Environmental Protection Act 1990 and The Noise Act 1996.
2. My duties include the investigation of allegations of statutory nuisance, gathering evidence in a manner to be admissible in court proceedings, and conducting seizures following the breach of a notice.
3. On the 20th of June 2021 I attended the Surge pub at 74, Commercial Road, Taibach, Port Talbot, SA13 1LP.
4. At roughly 16:00 hours, I arrived outside the Surge pub.
5. At roughly 16:10, I could hear live music coming from the Surge pub. The noise was exceptionally loud and could be heard clearly from the street.
6. I entered the complainant's property at roughly 16:15. The sound of the live band was loud and clear in the property.
7. At roughly 16:20 the noise became slightly quieter. The complainant noted that the back door of The Surge had been closed. The sound was still intrusive, with the drum percussion permeating into the property. Apart from momentary breaks between songs, this sound was very loud.
8. The sound was audible and intrusive in every room in the house.
9. I periodically took samples using the noise monitor.
10. At 16:48 I noted that the band was still playing and was very loud.
11. At 17:02 the sound stopped.
12. At 17:22 the band started playing again.
13. At 17:28 I noted the intrusiveness of the bass guitar and drum sound into the property.
14. The band continued until 18:08.
15. At roughly 18:15 I departed the complainant's property.
16. I sat in my car on the road opposite The Surge. Around 30 guests had gone out into the beer garden.

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17. At 18:30 recorded music was being played to the front of the venue. The level of the recorded music was quieter than the band, but still loud.

18. At 18:35 the music volume appeared to be louder in the street. The sound appeared to be increased in response to patrons dancing in the beer garden. It was now very loud.

19. At roughly 19:05 I re-entered the complainant's property. The sound from the speaker was clearly audible in the living room.

20. At roughly 19:15 I left the complainants property and departed the area.

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