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For the past sixteen months the private tenant that lives nextdoor [REDACTED] has been emitting high frequency sound into my property that I own. I have had four 'experts' attend my house to monitor the sound at a cost of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that was finally refunded, by a very unprofessional engineering company. The sound was confirmed by an audio electrician on the [REDACTED] 2024. He stated that he would provide a report for council or whomever. When he attended he informed me that the sound is 10,000hz and to get earplugs as I should look after my health and sympathised that it is terrible having bad neighbours. This audio electrician ignored my 3 messages and 1 voicemail to get the said report, so I contacted Consumer & Business Services and this is what the report stated:

The sound is 10,000hz. This is normal.

It is not normal it is similar to a smoke alarm going off 24/7 though not as tinny. It can cause high blood pressure, nausea, fatigue, tinnitus and long term exposure dementia according to Google.

I tried to take the tenant to [REDACTED] to get him evicted, the lady running the directions hearing informed me that they cannot do anything with the report as it states this is normal. Why she did not inform me that the evidence was not sufficient prior to the phone hearing is beyond me. I did not have anything else and it had taken me 11 months to get this. It was the only report I could get as most people working with sound are in the commercial sector not residential and they do not have the equipment required, which is very expensive. Not to say that this abuse has consumed me, I cannot fathom that in 2023/24 there is nothing more I can do to get this abuse to stop. I have recorded the sound on my Android mobile, though the microphone on the phone is not really designed for this sound. I have played it for different people and they cannot hear it.

Only 2% of the population can hear this sound, police, two young constables attended, the male informed he had tinnitus and the female could not hear the sound,. The council, three males attended at different times, two of my children in their early 40s, friends and others cannot hear the hfs sound. Last year a noise councillor advised me to ring 131444 every time the sound was on to get a police report number, which I did, though not every time as it got so frustrating having to explain the situation each time. On the 7th call, I believe it was, I was told "We have you down as a nuisance caller, I'm hanging up now." I sent a copy of the **report** to [REDACTED], they have done nothing regarding this. A painter at my house last November for five days complained that his tinnitus was worse each

night. I have sensitive hearing, I do not have tinnitus. One week before Christmas the neighbour's son in law on the other side of the property was moving cars in the street and I asked him how his mother in law, he seemed to want to talk, so I asked him to get into my car as I was leaving. I explained what has been happening regarding the noise and he replied that's why my wife's [REDACTED] is so bad whilst we are visiting, we couldn't work it out. A handyman attended my property [REDACTED] and when he came into the house the first thing he said was, "What's that noise, that constant hum?" He is the only person apart from me that has heard this noise sound.

April [REDACTED] I visited the owner's wife of the property with an A4 list of the things that I was aware of that he was doing to my property. I told the owner that the tenant was maliciously putting water onto my property and she replied that the water bill had increased one hundred dollars last quarter. I informed her that she should not be paying the whole bill just the service. That water on my property will travel onto hers. Alas, nothing was done. This is a crime under the Water Act. I do have photographs as evidence. The soil at the rear of my property is sodden even after the five days of no rain recently. The tenant has tried to poison my expensive [REDACTED] plants along my driveway, [REDACTED] doing too well. Plus numerous other incidents, cigarette butts thrown over the fence, holes drilled into the my carport fence along the bottom fence railing, I presume to keep tabs on me, down pipe of carport blocked with stones etc, I can provide a copy of the information I gave the owner. Tenant does not work, his wife does.

I am 74yo female I have been subjected to Elder, Domestic and Human Rights abuse. As no government department has heard of this sort of noise, I feel have been placed in "the too hard basket". A [REDACTED] company told me that this abuse happens a lot in Sydney and Melbourne, though sleepy old Adelaide no one seems to know about this. He is abusing me and my [REDACTED] silky terrier [REDACTED] [REDACTED] as well as the neighbours, even though they cannot hear it, his own [REDACTED] children and [REDACTED] dogs, it is a very insidious act and should be made a criminal offence. As I feel that if this had happened to someone not as resilient as I am they would have committed suicide by now, after having so many doors slammed in their face.

It has been a horrendous sixteen months and since they moved in September [REDACTED]. He lights up the rear of my property and has a camera covering this area and lights up the house at the rear most nights, that neighbour is not at all happy about. Residential light trespass is an offence under the Statutes of Amendment (Light Pollution and Nuisance) Bill 2021. The local council is not aware of this.

I do not understand why in this state no one knows about this sort of noise. believe me I have contacted everyone I can think of to bring about the end this abuse, it has consumed me for the past plus year and it has been so soul destroying. I have sent many, many emails, made numerous phone calls trying to get an end to this constant harassment. I had to put a bamboo fence topper on the rear fence as he was trespassing along with his mates at night \$175. I increased security with extra cameras, I used to have 2 security cameras when they moved in, now I have five and extra solar lights, \$450. I had a company install blown in insulation in my adjoining double brick wall, \$1200 to try and deaden the sound. I had a handyman install new gutters [REDACTED] on my seven and half meter long shed with shade cloth going from shed roof and outside laundry roof to adjoining fence, so now two thirds of my property is

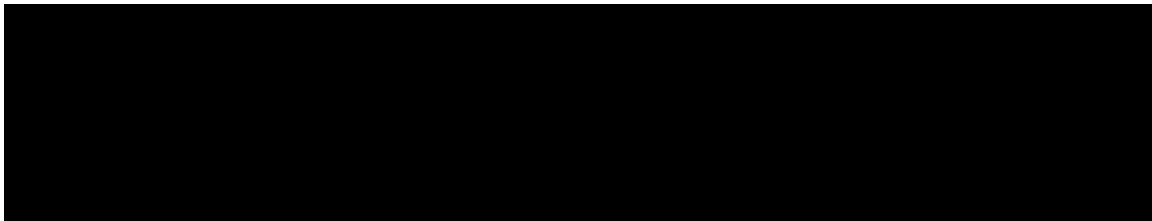
more secure \$1250, and I replaced the old bamboo extension fence with reed fencing from the end of shade cloth to the rear fence \$116. I live [REDACTED] pension to pension and have had to outlay these expenses in order to try feel more comfortable. He prowls around all night long, always making noise etc. The latest is that he burns paper? to make smoke, I guess for it to drift into my house, as I leave my kitchen window open as I do not want to trap this sound. He did it for five nights around 6pm and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] I shouted at him that if he does it again I will call the fire brigade. It stopped, but then has been on various nights after most people are in bed, this morning it was smelling again at [REDACTED]

No government or private agency has informed me that they will do some research about this sound and get back to me. I feel I have been treated as a 'stupid old woman' all along this ordeal. This tenant made four bogus calls to the police last year about me, which should have been alarm bells ringing for the police. On one occasion I was talking to the police at my front fence, which is locked 24/7 and informed them that he is probably on the other side of the adjoining 6' fence to the street, listening to this conversation, as I turned to my left he was on his roof [REDACTED] He complained to the police that I was looking into the rear of his house with a light into his daughter's bedroom. Climbing fences at my age, this did not happen.

I do not feel safe with these people living next door.

I want to live in comfort in my own home and continue with my life, which has for the most part been on hold for the past fourteen months? I do not know how much more of this abuse I can endure or should be made to.

Kind regards



Noise virtually every night alongside my carport, some nights to 10pm

Car starts, one day it was 5 times between 3pm -725pm, this is very loud & the car goes no where. Neighbour at the rear asked me why does he do this?????

Motorbikes revving.

1 racing car starts loudly and leaves 4.45am every Tues - Sat now drives along [REDACTED] but used to drive [REDACTED] St. Your tenant went and put letters in everyone's letter box stating that the police have checked his cars and they are ok.

Due to the unfortunate accident of the [REDACTED] girl killed by the [REDACTED] driver late last year, the laws were changed to fine any driver of a racing car that does not have the car switched to road use.

2nd racing car leaves between 8.30am to 9am Mon to Fri also very loud along [REDACTED] taking kids to school

Tenant ripped off portion of my plastic sheeting alongside my carport, then pulled it back at various intervals and let it slam onto the carport this happened over a number of days. Until I arranged to get it fixed.

Your door left to bang alongside my carport when windy?

Drilled holes along bottom rail of fence in carport (photos)

Constant slamming of doors rear of property most mornings and sometimes at night

Around 10.30pm while I was outside a stone was thrown onto my carport roof

Cigarette stubs on my property alongside adjoining fence (photos)

His [REDACTED] was tampering with my front gate at the support post. This has now been made secure.

My water tap was bent over almost to the ground at the rear of my property one Sunday, I have no doubt that it was from your tenants. As owner at the rear is 72yo. Luckily they did not manage to break the tap underground as I checked the water meter overnight to see if there was any leakage. I now have a new camera at rear of my property. However, your tenant continues to trespass onto my property. I have now installed a camera between my 2 rear out buildings. Tomorrow I am having another camera installed at the rear of my shed.

I was securing the extended bamboo on adjoining fence with wire, he came home and pushed the fence twice on his side directly where I was.

Rubbish constantly in front of my property and across the road from tenant's overfilled recycle bin, he walks past each day when the weather is fine taking kids to school and does not remove the rubbish. (photos) The Council have written to him regarding this.

****I noticed this weekend [REDACTED], I believe it has been going on for quite sometime, that a lot of water is being put onto my property during the night or when I am out between my two buildings, alongside the adjoining fence. As I have recently noticed plenty of moss now growing. Water sitting around the property is not great and I have no idea how long he has been doing this. It will of course affect your property as well.****

I came home one afternoon [REDACTED], no rain but water dripping down carport support. This is where I open the canvas slide to access carport. Since your tenants moved in the canvas slide is now locked and I use rubber gloves as I do not know what he is pouring onto the support. (photos)

I put shade cloth on my side between the two out buildings as your tenant was constantly spying on me. He pushed the fence twice and then threw a stone at a distance against the fence whilst I was putting cloth up. This happened about 10 days ago 1 [REDACTED].

This Sunday [REDACTED] there was alot of drilling, sounded like the drill was going through concrete coming from your property, this happened whilst I took my dog for a walk. Their handyman was at your property all that day, the following Monday and Wednesday.

Today 1 [REDACTED] when I left my house and I got to my destination once again alot of drilling coming from your property, I checked on my phone through one of my cameras.

In summary I do not like living here at all, I don't want to go out, for fear of what he may do. When I go out I do not want to come home. **I do not feel safe in my own home.**