

TLN Meeting - 16

On Noise Pollution In ABH: *Conversations we're not having*

Somebody lives on G block first floor, close to FCR. On Friday night, a vigil kept him up all night, an awards ceremony made sure he couldn't read on Saturday, and a birthday party had his head pounding through Saturday night. Another fellowship program on Sunday morning made sure he couldn't sleep, and his neighbour's stereo kept him up all night on Sunday night.

Questions

1. At what point does sound become noise? Who decides this cut-off? Is there a "right to noise-making"?
2. Should certain people/groups get a free pass with regards to how loud one is allowed to be? If yes, who and why? Also, how often should they be allowed to make said noise?
3. Do you think Brownites have been tolerant or considerate enough with regards to noise and noise pollution (both noisemaker/complainers)? What is the appropriate response to noise pollution?
4. What should be done about noise? Under different social circumstances.
5. Who determines what to do regarding noise? What do you think about the Executive Order conditionally banning noise?
6. Is legislation (ban) truly going to put a stop to the noise?
7. If a ban is placed on social events in the hall that generate "noise", would it be fair to stop all activities, including lawnmowers and religious activities, that generate "noise"?
8. How feasible is noise control in ABH? If it is feasible, what are the exact measures that can be taken to achieve this?