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# After the dance—the din and the damage

**TENTERDEN** Youth Club is again under fire from residents who complain of noise and damage after club dances.

Residents who have launched the latest attack are determined to make their protests heard.

They say that, if necessary, they will protest to the Noise Abatement Society.

The residents involved all live near the club, in Bridewell Lane and Highbury Lane, except for Mrs. A. Reed, whose house at 93 High Street is some distance away but which, she claims, is still shaken by the noise.

Mrs. Reed alleges that her front gate is removed

## YOUTH CLUB ACCUSED

from its hinges regularly and placed on the War Memorial in the High Street or thrown in the garden.

Strong protests come from pensioners who moved to the area, one of Tenterden's quietest, for a peaceful retirement.

### STRONG PROTEST

Mr. G. Masters, of 15 Bridewell Lane, who has lived in the lane for 30 years, claims he has never heard such noise there.

"There's no point in going to bed because I can't sleep when I do. I just

stay up till 12 and wait for the dances to end," he says.

Next door to Mr. Masters lives Mr. W. Snelgrove, who thinks the only remedy is for a councillor to hear for himself how bad the noise is.

Part of the lane leading to the club is owned jointly by the Victoria Wine Co. and the Co-op and was recently improved by the two firms.

The firms' managers now claim that the lane is permanently littered with bottles and cigarette

packets left after dances.

Mr. Stan Seeger, manager of Victoria Wine, who lives at 73 High Street, says he would not have allowed the lane to be an access road to the club had he known of the treatment it would receive.

"They don't use the club half the time," he says. "They seem to prefer the lane and the Vine public house opposite. This means I get bottles thrown into my garden.

"On one occasion, some youths climbed a drain-pipe and tore off some lead piping."

Youth club officials say they are not responsible for club-goers once they have left the premises.