

Dear Member

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE - MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2021

Please find attached, for consideration at the next meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee, taking place on Monday, 25 January 2021, a further statement from Mr A Gadd & Miss J Broomfield (registered objectors).

Agenda No Item

1. **Application for a New Premises Licence - The Dutch Barn, Woodfalls Cross Farm, Hale Road, Hale, Fordingbridge SP6 2NW (Pages 3 - 4)**

Yours sincerely

Andy Rogers
Committee Administrator

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Agenda Item 1

Mr A Gadd & Miss J Broomfield
Ivy Cottage
Hale Road
Hale, Fordingbridge
Hampshire
SP6 2NW

Attention: Andy Rogers

19 January 2021

Licensing Services. New Forest District Council
Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road. Lyndhurst. SO43 7PA

The Dutch Barn Woodfalls Cross Farm Hale Road SP6 2NW

Dear Mr Rogers,

Further to our objections to the licence application at the above noted address and the subsequent amendments, may we request that the observations below are considered in addition to the items previously raised. Unfortunately we are unable to attend the virtual hearing:

We note that the applicant has reduced the time for music to 11pm, but feel that this should not absolve the committee from considering the amount of noise that will be generated throughout the day and night in this very sensitive area. As previously stated there is no background noise apart from an occasional car, and events proposed by the applicant would be very disruptive to the village.

The applicant has confirmed that the Barn is clad in wood and tin which do not offer any effective sound proofing. The information sent to us shows two areas for external seating. Both will be illuminated, and one area is adjacent to the road. These will generate significant light pollution and nuisance to the surroundings, and a potential danger to traffic on the unlit road outside the venue.

The applicant states that Taxi services will be advertised. There are no Taxi's in the village or for that matter any other late night transport available. This would therefore lead to an increase in evening traffic across the forest on dangerous unlit roads, and the further potential risk of intoxicated drivers causing an accident, or maiming animals on the Forest,.

Whilst it is accepted that CCTV is a deterrent to criminal activity, this type of installation does nothing to discourage anti-social behaviour, which whilst not classified as criminal, is extremely offensive to persons within earshot. Installation of CCTV might actually encourage rowdy behaviour.

The licence requested is for alcohol and music indoors, but the submitted plans indicate that these activities would certainly take place outside, apparently in breach of the licence requested.

It would appear from the information provided that the planning granted is not for wedding receptions, but this is the type of business that has been advertised at this site for the last couple of years. It raises the question as to why a licence is even being considered at this stage.

Yours sincerely

Ashley Gadd & Jackie Broomfield

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