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A consultee has commented on a Licensing Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:22 AM on 30 Jun 2015 from nick.chapman@sevenoaks.gov.uk.

# **Application Summary**

Reference: 15/01679/LAPRE

Address: Grove Road Penshurst Kent TN11 8DU

**Proposal:** Premises Licence **Case Officer:** Leeann Leeds

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### **Comments Details**

I refer to the above application which has been passed to this team for comment. I have issues/ concerns in respect of the proposals. Public Safety Owing to the woodland nature of the site, the steep slopes surrounding the access road/ clubhouse and the lack of light at night, I am very concerned about the safety of customers using the proposed café/bar, particularly if and when inebriated. The road to the premises, car park and surrounding areas are currently unlit and there are steep changes in level within a few meters of the designated access paths. The applicant has not demonstrated how they intend to protect public safety on the site and unfortunately the Health and Safety Officer from this team has not yet had an opportunity to visit the premises. As the premises subject to this application is not currently a workplace, it is not regulated by Health and Safety legislation and has not been subject to previous inspection or council involvement. With consideration to the above I do not consider that the applicant has adequately addressed public safety. Public Nuisance The Environmental Protection Team have noise from both amplified music and people (28/02/2014,

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received a number of complaints regarding night time 21/06/2014, 04/07/2014 and 04/10/2014). Whilst I appreciate that live and recorded music may be undertaken without regulation under the Live Music Act 2012 (as amended) and that regulated entertainment does not form part of this application, I am concerned that owing to the very low night time background noise levels in the locality, nearby residents may be affected by noise from patrons, plant and equipment on site (including kitchen extract systems, chiller units etc), vehicles leaving and entering the premises, bottles and waste being emptied into outside bins and waste collection. Additional lighting which may be installed by the applicant (in order to protect the safety of patrons) may also adversely impact upon properties with a direct line of site to the club house. The effect of additional lighting will be increased owing to the lack of other artificial light sources within the area. With consideration to the above information I do not consider that the current application contains sufficient detail to address these concerns and that it has not been demonstrated that they will not give rise to 'public nuisance' Whilst a number of the issues I have raise may be adequately addressed through the planning process (I understand that proposed café/ bar is a change of use), I consider that the applicant has not adequately addressed the licensing objectives and therefore I wish to object to this application.