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Subject: Comments for Licensing Application 23/01234/LAPRE

Customer Details

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Reasons for comment:

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Prevention of Public Nuisance
- Protection of Children from Harm
- Public Safety

19/05/2023 4:12 PM We have many concerns regarding the proposed Knockholt Fest related to this application, however, the main concern is for public safety and traffic. The proposed location for the event is in an agricultural field opposite my property, totally unsuitable to parking should the weather be wet. Should the event go ahead with the volume of tickets sold as indicated we believe that extra traffic/parking will result in chaos in the surrounding roads, potentially leading to car accidents. The junction with Shelleys Lane is of particular concern as it is a very dangerous junction all of the time, and this is where the proposed entrance/exit is to be sited. To give context, during term times the traffic and parking in the vicinity of St Katherine's School is extremely hazardous for half an hour in the mornings and afternoons. This therefore gives us concern that the extra traffic (estimated to be up to 900 cars) for 11 hours on the day of the event would make it virtually impossible to leave our property. In addition, the roads around the proposed event are narrow and heavily used by cyclists and the increased level of traffic and congestion would pose an extra danger to them. Cars also travel fast along this stretch of road and may not anticipate the extra congestion.

The application mentions that there will only be 4-8 personnel to cover parking, security, ticketing and entry which seems to be totally inadequate given the size of the proposed event.

We are also very concerned that the event will cause a public nuisance to us and our neighbours, with loud music causing a disturbance, a large number of people coming from outside the village and alcohol sales possibly leading to antisocial behaviour, a lack of public transport (one bus an hour, with the service finishing at 8pm) and obviously the congested roads.

Kind regards