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Licensing Manager, Cheshire East Council,

Dear Madam / Sir,

It has come to my attention that a licensing application has been made by Hilltop Country House Events Ltd for significant extensions to the licensable activities at the premises (Hilltop country house, Flash Lane, SK10 4ED).

Namely:

- Live music (indoors and outdoors), Wednesday-Sunday, midday to midnight
- Recorded music (indoors) and alcohol, every day, midday to midnight

As a local resident, I wish to object most strongly to the proposals.

It is my understanding that the venue currently (or at least prior to covid restrictions) operated under a much reduced license, allowing only indoor music, limited to 2 events per week. One off events licenses were applied for anything outside of this.

The proposed extension / relicensing represents a material increase in the potential for significant noise, nuisance and general disturbance in this agricultural and residential area. The following must be taken into account:

1. Extending the license to outside live music will represent a very significant increase to noise levels that are experienced by the local community – with no control or attenuation of sound available – this is particularly true given the hilltop location of hilltop country house.
2. Extending the licensable hours from a couple of nights per week to a full 50% of total hours in the week is absolutely inappropriate. I don't know the exact details of the previous license, but, assuming 24hours (12 hours per day for 2 days), the new license (84hours) represents a 350% increase in the total period of impact on the local community.
3. There is no mention of the nature of events which will be licensed or the number of guests. The venue currently operates as a wedding venue... but the extension of the license to 12 hour periods of outdoor music and alcohol supply on consecutive days could open the door to much larger and more disturbing activities such as mini-music festivals.
4. The nature of the surrounding community must be taken into account – this is a semi-rural agricultural and residential community, many members of the community are elderly, not least the residents of the nearby Bupa retirement/nursing home.... The impact of the disturbance will be very significant indeed and have a material on the quality of life for residents.

Overall, this application is clearly inappropriate, represents an excessive increase on current activities at the premises and demonstrates a complete lack of regard for the local residents... if granted, the new license will facilitate and promote a significant increase in impact on a very large number of local residents, simply to extend the operating hours and profit making opportunity for the owners of the business... it is completely unacceptable.

Please can you acknowledge receipt of this objection and provide information regarding any alternative arrangements that may have been discussed with the applicants (such as noise limits, reduced license hours etc).

Best regards



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