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HILLTOP COUNTRY HOUSE — LICENSE OBJECTION, PRESTBURY, CHESHIRE, SK10

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to object to an application for a premises license for Hilltop Country House, Flash Lane, Prestbury, Cheshire, SK10 4ED.

My family reside in Butley Town, (SK10 4DZ) which is walking distance of Hilltop Country House — I also grew up here for 20 years.

I believe that currently, Hilltop can only have two weddings a week, and that any recorded music has to be played within a sound proofed dance room. This was agreed as part of the original planning.

However, the new application for live music indoors and outdoors from Wednesday to Sunday strongly stray away from this original agreement, and will definitely cause disturbance to Butley Town and the local neighbourhood.

Whilst I was living at home, there was a similar altercation with the previous owner of Hilltop Country House. Myself, our family, and also the local residents were kept awake by loud music from the venue. Environmental Health were contacted, and they investigated the matter. They communicated this issue to the owner at the time, who apologised for playing music without the sound proofing measures in place.

As for the new application for outside live music (12:00pm - 00:00am, Wednesday to Sunday) — should this be granted, Butley Town and the surrounding areas will be disturbed for the majority of the night and day.

Plus live music indoors occurring everyday of the week is not sustainable considering the minimal space and soundproofing in place. I used to pick up work at Hilltop when I lived at Butley Town; the main area where it is soundproofed wouldn't be fit to hold a band and audience.

If you combine this new application with the consumption of alcohol Monday to Sunday (12:00pm - 00:00am), this will certainly jeopardise the area with anti-social behaviour. How can this behaviour be possibly regulated and monitored on a daily basis with a large number of people within an open space?

Hilltop Country Manor resides next to fields with cattle, which at night and potentially intoxicated, can be a hazard. Not to mention that there are neighbours one public footpath away, and therefore there will be anti-social noise every day of the week.

I'm someone who is grateful for the upbringing at Butley Town; the tranquility and peacefulness is what makes it a wonderful place to live. There are young families with children who now reside there, and also the frail who wish to live within this setting without stress. My Mum has a chronic illness and relies heavily on substantial rest — should this application go through her mental health and overall wellbeing is at great risk and will decline.

In addition, there are farmers who work relentlessly in already harsh conditions. For example, at spring time during lambing season — female sheep would be at a high risk of losing their lambs during pregnancy, due to the stress from the loud music. Might just be some sheep to me and you, but who is going to explain to the farmers that they are a) losing business and their livelihood and, b) have to undergo the ordeal of putting them down?

When you're evaluating the application, I ask to consider those who live around Hilltop Country House: residents, families, young children, the elderly, farmers, even the livestock and wildlife. All who value their sleep, mental wellbeing, and overall peaceful surroundings.

My family has already offered this, but I too would be more than willing to meet with a member of the Council in person to show you why Butley Town is such an idyllic and beautiful place to live — it would provide great context and understanding as to why an application such as this would have a detrimental impact on our community.

Yours Faithfully,