

## Appendix 2

### Representation 1

**From:** XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

**Sent:** 28 November 2023 21:41

**To:** LICENSING (Cheshire East) <[Licensing\\_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Re Smallwood Village Hall

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to oppose the Smallwood Village Hall application to play live and recorded music outdoors between the hours of 9am - 11.30pm, 7 days a week.

I reside in a property that is in close proximity, behind the village hall and sound travels extensively.

I chose to live in a rural area and this license would affect the peace of the community if music were permitted to be played outside.

Loud music is already regularly heard when played inside at the hall, so I do not wish to hear music that is even louder played late into the evening, this would affect my mental health.

There is also the concern of parking, if the hall have outside events, they will have to use the carpark to facilitate this, as it is the only outdoor area available to them, this will then require cars to park on the narrow country lanes or nearby residential streets, thus creating dangerous traffic congestion, resulting in an increase of preventable incidents.

The permission of outdoor music would open up a lot of events, where there is potentially undesirable behaviour. With the newly appointed graveyard, adjacent to the hall, I fear this would be disrespectful and it would only be a matter of time before vandalism occurred.

I do wish the village hall every success, as a long-standing resident of 17 years, but the noise level is already loud on a regular basis, to the point where I can hear it in my house with all my windows and doors closed. My children's bedrooms overlook the hall, and this would affect their sleep, having a knock-on effect on their tiredness at school and furthermore their education. There are many children, that live close to the hall, who would also be negatively affected. There are elderly residents also within close proximity and the granting of this license would cause immense stress.

Yours sincerely,  
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## Representation 2

OFFICIAL

**From:** XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX <XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX>

**Sent:** 28 November 2023 21:01

**To:** LICENSING (Cheshire East) <[Licensing\\_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Smallwood Village Hall Premises Licence Application.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to object to the premises licence application from Smallwood Village Hall Fund to play live and recorded music outdoors between 09.00 - 23.30 hours, 7 days a week.

We don't believe this will be of any asset to our rural village. The indoor music license already granted is at the moment only just bearable especially when doors are regularly left open late into the evening and the noise travels quite a distance.

With our house boundary situated within 5 meters of the Village Hall building, this 7 days a week application has caused quite alarm to our family with young children living here.

Our children's sleep can be disrupted until the early hours of the morning on the current license due to doors being left open so people can congregate to smoke outside. This impacts on them for the following week and affects they're learning. If they know there is an event booked in they anticipate not being able to rest.

Another concern is parking, if they are to use the car park as an outdoor music venue I'm assuming the cars will need to be parked down the country lanes with no footpaths and potentially while parents are collecting children from Smallwood Primary School situated across the road. We also feel it is a little disrespectful to the grave yard at the side of the car park whilst people are visiting to pay their respects to loved ones.

We would be grateful if the Licensing team would consider our objections.

Kind regards,

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## Representation 3

**From:** XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX <XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX>  
**Sent:** 28 November 2023 22:28  
**To:** LICENSING (Cheshire East) <[Licensing\\_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** Smallwood Village Hall Premises Licence Application

Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to object to one part of the application for a premises licence made by Smallwood Village Hall Fund. Our objection is to the request for permission to play live and recorded music *outdoors* between 09.00 and 23.30 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

We are concerned that music played outdoors, particularly late at night, will create a noise nuisance. The outdoor area referred to is an unenclosed, open car park which adjoins a row of houses and is in close proximity to a small, quiet residential close, both of which are home to families with small children. The playing of live or recorded music late at night, in particular, is likely to create a substantial and unreasonable interference with local residents' quiet enjoyment of their properties, and particularly affect the children who live there. It is already the case that live and recorded music played *indoors* at the Village Hall late at night has on occasion caused noise nuisance to local residents.

We are also concerned that the playing of live or recorded music outdoors late at night, in conjunction with an alcohol licence, is likely to encourage users to congregate outside on the carpark, itself causing additional noise, as happens on occasion at present.

For these reasons, with regret, we object to the part of the application relating to outdoor live and recorded music. We consider that if the playing of live or recorded music outdoors in this open area is genuinely desirable on an ad-hoc basis, it can better be dealt with by way of a temporary licence with restrictions, rather than a wide-ranging licence which, if exercised to its full extent, would create a disproportionate interference to neighbouring residents.

Yours sincerely

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From: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX <XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX>  
Sent: 29 November 2023 17:59  
To: LICENSING (Cheshire East) <Licensing\_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk>  
Subject: Smallwood village hall opposition

Dear Sir,

I would like to oppose the proposed license at Smallwood village hall, due to potential public disorder and nuisance. Cheshire Police have received complaints by myself and neighbours due to fighting outside of the proposed licensed property, causing a public order offense. Further to this, previous license conditions were constantly broken by both sets of fire doors being opened, the serving of alcohol after the agreed licensing hours, and allowing underage persons to consume alcoholic beverages on the premises.

We accept it is a community hub and village hall, however feel that the 7 day license, with music both inside and out, along with drinking, does not allow for the village values or inkeeping with local traditions. This is a financial enterprise.

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