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**From:** Sam Horwill [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 30 May 2019 22:15  
**To:** Licensing  
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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to express my reasons for objection in relation to the licensing application 19/00286/LAPRE. I have been trying unsuccessfully to submit my views on your website most of this afternoon and evening so trust that this email will suffice. I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt before the relevant deadline (midnight tonight 30th June).

I have attended a recent meeting of Oving Parish Council, where I was lucky enough to meet with the applicant and discuss the application. It was clear from these discussions that the event which the applicant verbally described at this meeting is entirely different to that which has been applied for.

At the parish meeting the applicant portrayed a small family event, and various other intentions including weddings and a "forest school", with little detail on how or when these events would be run, or what relevant controls would be in place for matters such as security, traffic safety, littering, and protection of local wildlife and environments. It was clear that the applicant had also not considered the impact that such events might have on nearby residents, land owners, business owners, livestock, or communities as a whole. When questions were raised to the applicant on these matters the answers were somewhat dismissive and demonstrated a complete lack of understanding of the local area and potential impacts.

Specifically, I have an interest in land which directly borders the application site where I keep a number of bee colonies and my wife keeps horses. Our land is protected by stock fencing but the remote position affords us a certain level of additional security, which was a deliberate consideration when locating my bee colonies (both for the safety of my bees and that of curious wandering public). The applicant demonstrated a very poor appreciation for the application site when it became obvious that they were not aware of either my bees or my wife's horses which are clearly visible from the event field. It was obvious that the applicant had no intention to give this matter of protecting livestock and neighbouring property any additional consideration, and simply asked "do you not have fences around your field?". Of course we do, but the fencing is for the containment of livestock and we do not ordinarily invite thousands of unsupervised people to view our property. This presents not only a security risk to our property while an event is ongoing, but also by effectively showcasing the location to thousands of unknown

persons it will present a very real increase in security risks generally and will likely lead to an increase in future trespass, damage, and theft.

Additional to security concerns, this application and the intention of the event includes for playing of amplified music, light shows, film screenings, and fireworks, all of which are certain to disturb and worry nearby livestock and wildlife.

Doing my own background research I have found that the Wild Field Family Festival and other unspecified events have been publicised since August 2018 and that tickets have been on sale since December 2018. I find the lack of early community engagement on this matter to be of grave concern, unneighbourly, and completely underhand. It was clear at the parish meeting that the applicant considered the application to be a 'done deal', and that the concerns of local residents were of little consequence.

In general, having met with the applicant and discussed the intentions of the event(s) I find the application to be wholly inadequate and inappropriate. The application has been made in an extremely broad-brush manner in an attempt to seek permission for a wide array of activities to take place on unregulated and unspecified dates during all hours. I find the application to be entirely lacking in any relevant detail and have concerns regarding the competency of the applicant to address or even give consideration to the points outlined above.

As you can see, the proposed event(s) will bring a huge strain to the local area in terms of noise disturbances to residents and livestock, additional volumes of traffic, light shows, litter, security, and damage to natural habitats. All the while bringing absolutely zero benefit to the local economy.

My wife and I therefore wholeheartedly object to this application, and trust that our views and concerns expressed above will be given full consideration in its determination.

Kind regards,

Sam Horwill

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