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To: Licensing
Subject: FW: 19/00286/LAPRE LI - Land South East Of Tangmere Airfield Decoy Lane Oving West Sussex

Please accept this email as an objection to the above application as the Public Access portal is not working. Thank you. I am an Oving Parish resident.

Yours faithfully

John Pitts

This application lacks sufficient detail to be approved. Various issues are either ignored or inadequately considered. A festival of up to 2500 people (rising to 4999) will have significant challenges which may not be insurmountable but are not addressed in this application. The location for 28 days of, as yet unknown, events (weddings, parties etc) all serving alcohol with the potential for live and/or loud music, late nights, traffic etc is simply not suitable.

It is also entirely inappropriate that local people have only been made aware of this applicant a few days before the deadline for responses and yet the event has been selling tickets online for some time. Whether through naivety or deliberate deception (having met the applicants I do not think the latter to be the case) there has been no attempt to engage the community to enable an application to be made that meets local people's concerns or to enable the applicants to consider the true impact of their proposals on the locality but also, just as importantly, on their own visitors.

Most local people remain unaware of this proposal, the only notice was on a tree in the field. the field has no footpaths and the notice was only seen recently by chance. There has therefore been inadequate consultation and for this reason alone the application should be rejected and resubmitted allowing for adequate time for local people to be made aware and have the opportunity to understand the application and comment (whether objecting or supporting).

1. Public nuisance

The application erroneously dismisses the potential for public nuisance in one line: ☐We do not consider any areas to be particularly vulnerable to public nuisance surrounding the event as the site is situated away from houses and towns☐. This is patently untrue.

The following sites will be affected and/or are the cause of concern in terms of security, safety or damage. The application does not even mention any of these sites let alone provide suitable mitigating measures

- i. Woodhorn: 7 houses, 20 businesses, farm barns and yards etc: c.300 metres from the proposed site
- ii. Aldingbourne Church road: c.20 houses
- iii. Horses and stables: immediately adjacent field
- iv. 5 MW solar farm: immediately adjacent
- v. Woodhorn lane: houses
- vi. Tangmere waste management site
- vii. Crops (not in ownership of the applicant☐s land) immediately adjacent

2. Traffic management

There will obviously be the potential for significant increases in traffic. This application has not considered the following potential problems:

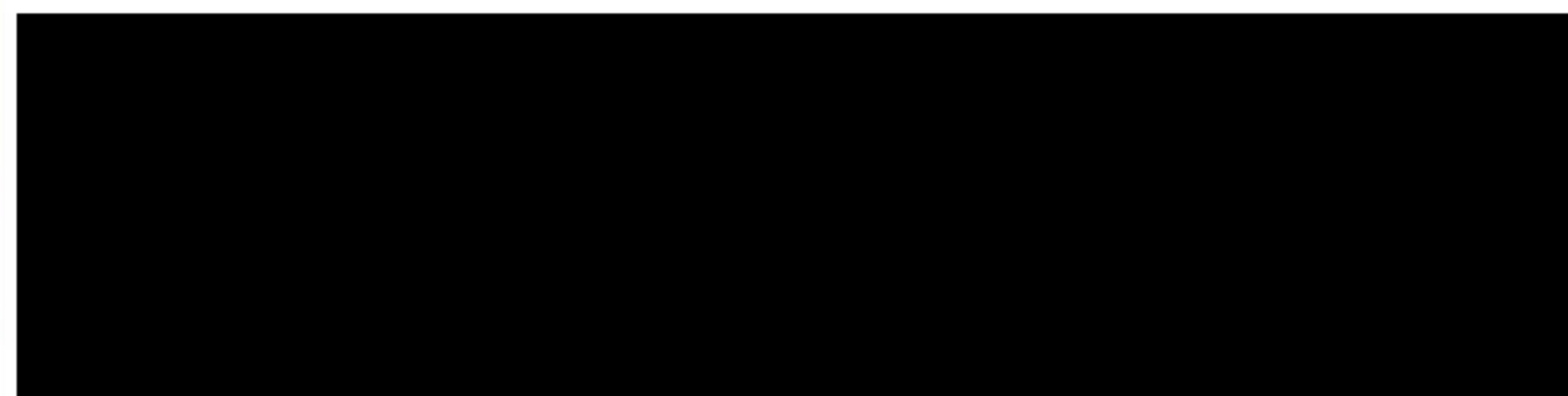
i. Pedestrians

It is inevitable that some visitors will walk to the site but particularly leave the site after the event (to avoid drinking and driving etc). The Oving road has no pavement provision, is unlit and an extremely fast road.

- ii. There is potential for traffic queuing on the Oving road on a stretch of road without long visibility stretches. Tickets will be sold ☐at the gate☐ further exacerbating this potential safety issue
- iii. The locality used to suffer frequent night-time vandalism from late night leavers from Thursday☐s night club. This will now be a concern from this event

This application should be refused. The site location is unsuitable for the 28 days of events proposed and an alternative site should be found. The license for the festival should also be refused. However, if the applicant was minded to give local people sufficient notice of any new proposal, consult openly and honestly with the Community then there may well be more support for some form of festival in the future.

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