

LICENSING ACT 2003

Representations form

Details of the representee:

Name ... DR NICOLA SWAN

Address

RECTORY ROAD, STREATLEY

Postcode... RG8 9QA

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16/01035/LQN

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The Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

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Public Safety:

Rectory Road is a very narrow road with blind bends. Even though we have achieved a 30mph limit on the road, it is only abided by through goodwill as it is not somewhere that it is realistic to think that police time would be spent monitoring speed. As such people who do not live in the road, visiting the golf club particularly are inclined to speed. Whilst this is a public nuisance in and of itself, it should be remembered that as part of the Ridgeway trail, this road is used by a great many walkers, cyclists, children etc.. At first glance the late opening of the gold club may not appear relevant to walkers, cyclists and horse riders, however, on a regular basis there are over night events / 24 hour events held along the Ridgeway for these non-car users they are at increased danger from these later opening hours. There is no pavement or safe area for them to travel and therefore they have to occupy the road as well.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance:

In the applicants form they say that they prevent public nuisance by escorting problem people "off the premises". To reach the golf club you have to either drive or it is an exceedingly long walk from the train station (a 32 minute walk via Google Maps). So anyone who is drunk and / or disorderly is either allowed to drive or is sent down an unlit, rural residential lane, which is totally unacceptable. For staff to do more than escort people off the premises they would have to leave the club house understaffed. Practically this would not happen and it is not economically feasible for them to suggest extra staff would be employed to cover the eventuality. Therefore their suggestion that they can prevent public nuisance from the drunk or disorderly is not realistic.

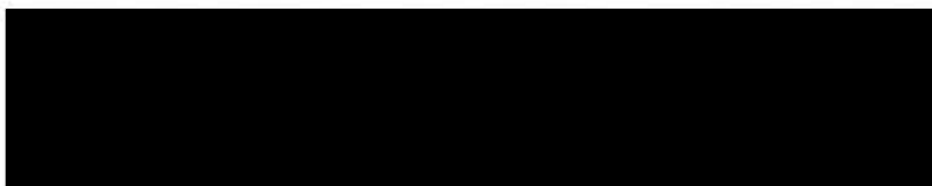
The applicants do not address the issue of public nuisance caused by noise. Firstly a 7 day a week blanket licence to cover events until 1am in the morning is totally inappropriate for a rural venue. This would be more appropriate in an

urban setting. As it is, since the licence hours were extended and changed from a members only club licence to a pub-type licence the nuisance caused by the late night parties at weekends has been very noticeable (both to us as neighbours and other people in the road) as the sound travels along the valley. The 'customers' regularly open the club house windows, therefore making the sound levels excessive and staff do not ask them to shut the windows, especially on summer evenings. Even with the current licence there should be a condition placed on them that no windows should be opened when live or recorded music is being played after say 11pm. If they do not have adequate air conditioning then they should put in a planning application (if necessary) to do so. The noise from people in the car park after closing house is also excessive and the flood lights cause excessive light pollution.

The level of litter around the entrance of the golf club far exceeds that of the rest of the road. Proof of this can be obtained from the parish council who are involved in the village clean up each year, and this was something which was commented upon during the one this year.

The Protection of Children from Harm:

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Please send completed form to the Senior Licensing Officer at:

West Berkshire Council, Culture and Environmental Protection, Environmental Health & Licensing, Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury, Berkshire RG14 5LD