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Berkshire.
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01 September 2016

West Berkshire Council,
Culture and Environmental Protection,
Environmental Health & Licensing,
Council Offices,
Market Street,
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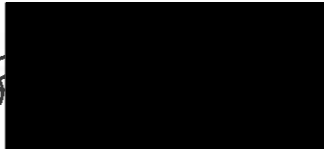
Dear Sir / Madam

Subject: Receipt - For Petition and Covering Letter, Objecting to the Granting of an Alcohol Licence (Application Ref: 16/01174/LQN) and to the 3 Events (Live Music/Recorded music) per Annum.

Attached subject Petition containing 37 signatures was today 01 September 2016 received and signed for by West Berkshire Council as outlined below. Please ensure Environmental Health & Licencing Team is given the attached Petition today. Thank you.

Received By West Berkshire Council:

Name (Please Print)



Signature:

Date: 01.09.2016

MRS SHARON GAVIN
TECHNICAL OFFICER - LICENSING

By Hand

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Subject: Petition Objecting to the Granting of an Alcohol Licence (Premises and/or TENs or any Other Alcohol Licence. Also we object to the holding of the 3 Live Music and Recorded music Events per Annum at our Burghfield Common Recreation Ground. Please see Petition of Objection attached, relating to Application Ref: 16/01174/LQN.

The Residents of Burghfield Common in the attached Petition of Objection strongly object to the granting of an Alcohol Licence, (Premises / TENs and/or any other Alcohol Licence) and also object to the 3 Live and Recorded music Events per annum, proposed to be held in our Burghfield Common Recreation Ground for the reasons stated in attached Petition of Objection

Furthermore it should be noted:

- It should be noted that the attached Petition of Objection is in the main (approx. 95%) from residents along the 360 degrees Perimeter of the Burghfield Common Recreation Ground. The remainder being from very close proximity (The end of School Lane opposite the Recreation Ground and Blands Close)
- More Residents along the Perimeter of the Recreation Ground would be on our Petition had they been at home when the Petition was been done (As advised by neighbours in Garlands Close , Recreation Road, School Lane etc.,
- The Parish Council Plan and Design Statement advises that our village of Burghfield Common as 'Quiet and Rural' and that this should be maintained and protected. Is it possible that the Parish Council don't understand their own Plan/Statement, by approving (on 22nd July'16)the Burghfield Beer Festival (Burghfest) to go ahead, without any consideration whatsoever for all the Residents around the 360 degrees Perimeter and close proximity of the Burghfield Common Recreation Ground. It is hoped that the Parish Council will strongly object to the granting of a premises licence and also object to the 3 Live Music and Recorded music Events which are planned from 11.00AM to 11.00PM each for 2 consecutive days.
- It is a very misleading statement by the organisers to state that a premises licence will provide more flexibility and control, when the opposite is true. Common sense tells us the larger the crowd the more difficult it is to control.

- It is also concerning that the Organisers had a date of 02 September 2016 on their initial Application Notices (Application Ref: 16/01174/LQN) where local residents had to make representation to the Licensing Department at the Council, but now they have obviously changed the Notices as the date now (on the replaced Notices) by which you must make representation to the Council (Licensing Department) is 13th September 2016? This can only be considered as seriously inappropriate Behaviour to say the least as no mention was made on the new Notices as to why the date changed from 02 September to 13 September 2016? (Everything else on the replaced Notices around the Recreation Ground is the same as the initial Notices, except the date?)
- It is easily foreseeable that Parking will be a very serious problem resulting in potential risks to the Public at large, and in particular to the many children who use our Burghfield Recreation ground on a daily basis. There will be (most likely) double parking on both sides of various local roads/closes (with the potential risk that some Residents drives could be blocked), and in relation to Recreation road in particular this will cause mayhem for Reading Buses to get through, but more importantly for the Emergency Services.
- It is common sense that such Events as the Burghfield Beer Festival and the 3 Live Music / Recorded music Events (Each Event being over 2 consecutive days, 11.00AM to 11.00PM) with the sale of Alcohol should be held at an appropriate Venue, which has adequate Parking facilities and not situated smack bang in the centre of a Residential area (Burghfield Common Recreation Ground), causing disturbance to Residents around the Perimeter of the Burghfield Recreation Ground (having to suffer the noise of Live/Recorded music for such continuous long periods (11.00AM to 11.00PM) as well as the risks to Local children and dog walkers, who use the Recreation Ground on a Daily basis.
- The Burghfield May Fayre (Family day) in comparison (held at the Hatch, Burghfield Village) is for one day and finishes at 4PM
- Many local Children use the Recreation Ground on a daily basis and the holding of such Events could be a potential risk to Local Children especially if the consumption of Alcohol in our Burghfield Recreation Ground, is allowed (from 11.00AM to 11.00PM for 2 consecutive days per Event)
- Furthermore the Organisers won't be able to control Public Safety, Public Nuisance any potential crime or disorder after revellers have left the Recreation Ground after 11.00 PM at night some who may have been consuming alcohol all day, and considering these Events are proposed over 2 consecutive days/nights any/all risks must be avoided. Suck risks can only be avoided by the rejection of the Alcohol Premises Licence Application and any other Alcohol Licence Applications.

Considering all of the above and our attached 'Petition of Objection' to the Granting of an Alcohol Licence (Premises and/or TENs or any Other Alcohol Licence, and to the holding of the 3 Live Music and Recorded music Events per Annum at our Burghfield Common Recreation Ground, it is hoped that the Licensing Authority and West Berkshire Council will take into account all of the risks highlighted in our Petition and as stated above, and reject the Alcohol Licence Application 16/01174/LQN outright and also not allow the staging of the 3 proposed Events (Live/Recorded music Events) per Annum.

Yours Sincerely


Patrick Foran

**On Behalf of the Signatories to the attached Petition submitted 'By Hand' on 01 September 2016, to
West Berkshire Council – Culture and Environmental Protection, Environmental Health & Licensing,
Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury. Berkshire RG14 5LD**

CC: Mrs Cally Morris, Burghfield Parish Council, PO Box 7381, Reading. RG1 9XP

**Thames Valley Police (Policing Team for Burghfield), Newbury Police Station, Mill Lane, Newbury,
Berks. RG14 5QU.**

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ELLIOTT	L.A.	3 BLANDS CLOSE	RG7 3JY	27.8.16
STONEHAM	S.A.	6 BLANDS CLOSE	RG7 3JY	27.8.16

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J FOX	J	1 OAK DRIVE	RG7 3JF	27/8/16
FULFORD	M	8 OAK DRIVE	RG7 3JF	27/8/16
ROY	GR	1 GARLANDS CLOSE	RG7 3JS	27/8/10

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LOCHRIE	R	4 GARLANDS CLOSE	RG7 3JX	27-8-16
WATSON	L	HORSE CHESTNUT HOUSE	RG7 3JL	27-8-16

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SCHOFIELD	P.J.	TWYFIELDS RECREATION RD	RG7 3EN	27-8-16
SELWAY	D.A.S	ASHLEE, RECREATION RD	RG7 3EN	27-8-16
SELWAY	C.H	ASHLEE, Recreation RD	RG7 3EN	27.8.16

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STANEKE	EC	" "	" "	"
MARTIN	MJ	2 OAK DRIVE	RG7 3TF	29/8/16
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ARMLEY	AJ	" "	" "	" "
TUCKER	NJ	2 BLANDS CLOSE	RG735V	29/8/16
ARMLEY		WYCHWOOD. REC RD.	RG79EB	"

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PEARSE	David	New House Recreation Rd	RG7 3EN	29/8/16
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SIMPSON	S	130 Reading Road	RG7 3EH	29/8/16

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1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

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2. Public Safety:

There is only minimal parking close to the recreation ground, which is insufficient for 2 consecutive days Music Events, and will cause serious traffic problems, which again could lead to road traffic accidents and congestion. Rubbish and litter is also a safety risk to children, dog owners and others. Threats to community safety is also a factor considering the potential crowd size of several thousand people.

3. Public Nuisance:

The continuous noise from these consecutive 2 days music events would be totally unreasonable and unbearable especially for residential properties in the very near vicinity overlooking the Recreation ground and other local residents.

With the potential crowds being up to 5,000 people, the waiting times to use portable toilet facilities could result in Public nuisance behaviour, in or around local properties and local streets.

4. The Protection of Children from Harm:

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The recreation ground is a very popular local amenity used extensively by all residents on a daily basis including dog walkers, children's play areas and for various sporting events. The lack of use by local Council Tax payers of our local amenity (Burghfield Common Recreation Ground) for 6 days per year is unacceptable, And furthermore an Alcohol Licence must be rejected for the above reasons.

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ROBINSON	P.P.	'MUSKAT'	RG7 3ES	29/8/16
SWANBOROUGH	ES	NORTHLAKE HOUSE	RG7 3LA	29/8/16
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