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To the Licensing Authority (Licensing@westberks.gov.uk),

We write to object to this application on the grounds of preventing Public Nuisance and ensuring Public Safety.

We live at Marsh Benham Lodge, within easy walking distance of Benham Park. The area is presently quiet, peaceful and rural, with very low levels of traffic and noise. The introduction of large-scale events, particularly those involving music and guests arriving and departing late into the evening, would materially and adversely affect the amenity of our home.

Our principal concerns are as follows.

- First, the hosting of large events with amplified live and recorded music outside until 11pm, along with guests' late-night dispersal would create significant noise disturbance in what is otherwise a very quiet rural location.
 - Noise from music, guests leaving events, car doors, engines and conversations late at night is likely to be clearly audible from our property and would disturb our household.
- Secondly, we are concerned that the application would result in a substantial increase in vehicle movements, both within the Estate and on the surrounding roads. This would affect not only the general character of the area, but also the safe and quiet use of the park access routes which we currently use to walk our dog. This causes us particular concern for highway safety. The Milkhouse Road entrance onto the A4 is, in our experience, a notoriously dangerous junction. We have lived here since 2002 and, over that period, there have been many accidents at this turning. Any significant increase in traffic entering or leaving events at Benham Park, particularly at peak arrival and departure times and late at night, would give rise to serious concern in relation to road safety.

For the above reasons, we ask that the Licensing Authority refuses this application as to grant it would undermine the licensing objectives of the prevention of public nuisance and public safety.

Kind regards
Sarah and David Ross

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