

R/S LICENSING

27 MAY 2008

Community Meeting Room

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To whom it may concern,

**REF: Willogarth High School - concert venue**

On behalf of myself, husband and immediate neighbour Mrs. Asquith, we wish to object to the proposal of a concert venue at the site of Willowgarth High school in Grimethorpe. We have had well documented issues with the school since moving to the above property almost 2 years ago and feel that the introduction of the extra activities would exacerbate our situation.

Our concerns include:

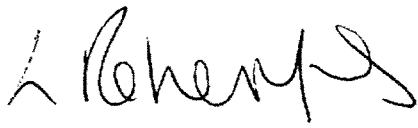
1. Additional air pollution from vehicles used to attend the venue.
2. Additional noise pollution from venue activities, vehicles and visitors to the venue on evenings/weekends.
3. Addition to the intolerable amount of litter deposited in and around the school that has taken 18 months to get some action in addressing.
4. Additional blockage of the private lane (owned by myself and my husband) leading to four properties (ours included) adjacent to the entrance to the school car park.
5. Continued erosion to the bottom of our lane by vehicles reversing and turning around when dropping-off/visiting the school.
6. Further trespass onto our private lane, land and properties.

Barnsley councilors have informed us that the school is on green-belt land and that it is intended to remain so for the foreseeable future, hence I question the legality of using it as a concert venue?

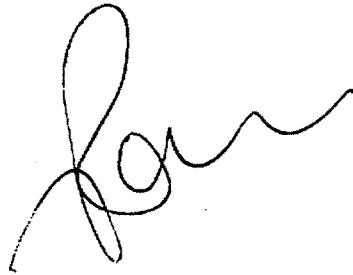
In addition, once the high school has been recited, is it planned that better use is to be made of the existing premises? Could it not be used for some form of adult training venue, providing practical skills, to equip adults/disabled people to prepare to enter the job market?

It was interesting to note that the small notice in relation to this issue was posted on the school gate on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2008, but dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2008?

Yours with concern for my own, and neighbours, quality of life and immediate environment,



Mrs L Roberts



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