

Barnsley Metropolitan  
Borough Council

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Corporate Mail Room

Bank House Farm,  
A628,  
Silkstone,  
Barnsley,  
South Yorkshire  
S75 4FZ  
26<sup>th</sup> May 2009.

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing on behalf of and at the dictation of JOHN WALTER CHARLESWORTH - Bank House Farm, A628, Silkstone, Barnsley. S75 4FZ to make the following objections to the application by Iain West to Barnsley MBC for a new premises licence in respect of 80M feet 2009, Silverwood campsite, Silkstone, Barnsley.

With regard to PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE - the noise from this event would be unbearable as I live nearby, that is the nearest to Silverwood Camp. Previous smaller events have already caused this problem. When Silverwood Camp was exclusively a Scout Camp there was no problem. I have lived here since 1957 and as I am 89 years old and in poor health this would have a serious effect on my health due to the volume of noise and length of time when music would be performed.

The noise would also seriously effect the animals, particularly in the field adjoining Silverwood Camp. These animals are sheep, lambs and rare breed Dexter Cattle. Animals are likely to panic with this level of noise and can seriously damage themselves, especially with a high volume of noise for an extended

length of time. The organisers of the event would be liable for this. Besides this is cruelty to animals as well as humans.

People in the village would also be effected by the noise. Elderly and ill people, plus small children and babies would be vulnerable as would domestic animals.

With regard to PUBLIC SAFETY - if damage was done to fencing and stock gates damaged and left open by people intoxicated by alcohol and not responsible for their actions animals would stray onto the A628 road. This could cause serious accident(s) and carnage on the A628, particularly in the dark. Following smaller events we have already had fencing and gates damaged.

Also the entrance to Silverwood Camp itself is a dangerous stretch of road with a nasty bend, which has been the scene of a number of fatalities, and so not suitable for such an event.

With regard to CRIME and DISORDER - this is a serious concern, especially with people intoxicated by alcohol who have no regard for others or their property and I have already had experience of wilful damage and theft from my property, as well as farm buildings and farm land yard.

They also have no regard for keeping to footpaths and may try to get in free to the event by using the back way via my property and by trespassing on pasture land, woodland <sup>and</sup> buildings they would be able to hear the music for free and so

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this would be an attractive option for some people. This would be a nightmare for me and I ask you to give this matter serious consideration!

Litter is likely to be a big problem. This is a danger to the public and to animals who can be killed by plastic bags/wrappers and ring pulls etc. Nasty injuries can be caused by broken glass. There is also the danger of fire on farms from discarded cigarettes.

Yours sincerely,

J. W. Charlesworth