

**Squires House
Lane End
Corsley
Warminster
BA127PH**

26th June 2020

Licensing Section
Wiltshire County Council
County Hall
Bythesea Rd
Trowbridge
BA14 8JN

Dear Sirs

Objection to licence variation for the White Hart, Lane End, Corsley, BA127PH. Application reference WK 202011121

We write to object strongly to the above licence variation and specifically to the request to permit Live and Recorded Music for seven days a week from 08.30 to midnight on those days.

This objection is on the potential for considerable Public Nuisance.

The White Heart pub is located within 40m of our house and is extremely close to many other residential properties and gardens. A business operating after 11pm every day of the week is not compatible with this location.

The current 11pm close already generates noise from car doors and people talking as they leave (shouting at each other after a few drinks) and this is already a real concern. Our daughter's bedroom window faces the pub and the noise disturbance already causes her problems at night. In the summer months, windows will be open and so the noise will be increased.

Already we suffer from noise disturbance with the comings and goings of people in and out of the pub door and frequent 'cigarette chats' outside adds to this nuisance. With even longer hours proposed this would get worse especially if music is being played. There may already be a sign in the bar asking people to leave quietly, however this seems to have had no effect.

Any activity involving increased numbers of people, vehicles, music and alcohol after 11pm at night is not appropriate for a residential area and it increases the possibility of becoming a public nuisance and significantly raises the risk of criminal and disorderly behaviour. The owner has already demonstrated a disregard for local residents by hosting noisy events. Since the pub has been open, numbers of cars congregate in the car park (a 'boy racer' gathering) revving their engines. The cars reverse up to our garden fences and open their car boots to show off their sound systems. Music is subsequently blasted out of their cars for several hours. We have found this a very intimidating experience and our 18-month old daughter became very distressed and upset.

Our main concern is the proposal shown on the plan for outside music which contradicts Section F which is for indoor music only. Any music played outside would ruin the lives of many local residents.

The application raises the spectre of this noise and disruption being a blight on our lives every day of the week and every week of the year. This is totally inappropriate for this rural location and for the 20 or so homes which are also located in close proximity to the White Hart. We would have no objection to a variation for New Year's Eve and the occasional Bank Holiday, however.

We would hope that the council listens to the people who live in this area and refuses this application. The highly residential village of Corsley is not the place to have a late-night drinking pub with outside music for up to 500 people. We are not killjoys, but this is not the right area for the proposed application.

Thank you for considering this viewpoint.

Yours faithfully

Will and Annie Chudley