

DECISION NOTICE

Western Area Licensing Sub Committee

Decision made on 17 June 2015

Application for a Premises Licence in respect of Field Trip Festival, Grange Farm, Bratton Road, West Ashton, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 6AX

Decision:

The Western Area Licensing Sub Committee resolved to GRANT the Premises Licence for Field Trip Festival, Grange Farm, Bratton Road, West Ashton, Trowbridge, as detailed below:

Licensable Activity	Timings	Days
Provision of regulated entertainment		
Live music (In and outdoors)	13:00 – 00:00	Saturday 12 September
Recorded music (In and outdoors)	00:00 – 02:00	Sunday 13 September
Performance of dance (In and outdoors)		
Anything of a similar description (In and outdoors)		
Provision of late night refreshment (In and outdoors)	23:00 - 00:00 00:00 - 05:00	Saturday 12 September Sunday 13 September
Sale by retail of alcohol (On the Premises)	13:00 - 00:00 00:00 - 04:00	Saturday 12 September Sunday 13 September

Subject to the following additional conditions:

1. The event is to operate at all times in accordance with the event management plan, noise management plan, and stewarding plan as submitted, or as amended

- with the agreement of the proposed Event Safety Advisory Group (ESAG); any changes to be approved by the Licensing Officer.
- 2. No more than 3,000 tickets shall be issued for the event and no person other than official event staff shall be admitted to the event without a ticket.
- 3. There is to be a contact telephone number provided to local residents for the event, This shall be monitored at all times from 12:00 on Saturday 12 September 2015 to 16:00 on Sunday 13 September 2015 and appropriate action taken in response to any calls received.

Reasons

After taking into account the written representations from all parties and the oral arguments received at the hearing, the Sub Committee carefully considered the concerns raised by those who had made representations regarding the application. These concerns related principally to noise and traffic management issues, given the number of attendees expected, the location of the proposed site and the entrance to it. In particular, the Sub Committee considered whether the event management plan put forward by the Applicants, in consultation with relevant authorities would appropriately address those concerns and satisfy the licensing objectives.

Regarding concerns over the size of the event, it was noted that the Applicants had stated that they anticipated an audience in the region of 2000 – 3000. In order to address concerns about public safety, it was considered appropriate to include a condition limiting the capacity to 3,000 people.

It was noted that a noise management plan and sound control measures formed part of the application and that the Applicants had also agreed to provide a complaint hot-line, which the Sub Committee expected to be staffed and answered. It was considered appropriate to include this as a condition to address the concerns that had been raised regarding public nuisance. It was also noted that arrival and departure times at the site were conditioned in the event management plan.

Regarding concerns over public safety, it was noted that the Applicants had engineered a system for efficient entry onto the site and that an Event Safety Advisory Group meeting was proposed.

As such, the Sub Committee considered appropriate conditions were in place to promote the licensing objectives.

The Sub Committee also considered the relevant provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 (in particular Sections 4 and 18); the guidance issued under Section 182 of the Act and the Licensing Policy of Wiltshire Council.



Right to Appeal

All parties have the right to appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days of receipt of this decision. Any person has the right to request a Review of the Licence, in accordance with the provisions of section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003.