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From: Sandra Robinson [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 15:09
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Cc: Anthony Robinson
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW Application for Premises licence for Hearnfield & pavilion, Shaldon Road, Combeinteignhead TQ12 4RR

License number : TEIP000

We write to express our concerns with the above application and submit this representation.

1. Currently the Hearn field organising committee try to ensure that all events, weddings and parties are finished by 22.30. In the last few years this has been better managed, though in the past events have carried on until the early hours of the morning. In previous years, we have had to go down to the field at 1am and 3am to request that the music is turned off.
In a recent note to the users of the Hearn Field, they say they plan to maintain this, we do not understand why the licence being applied for has a finishing time of 23.30 rather than 22.30.
2. Noise pollution: The Hearn field pavilion has a very small entertainment area, which can not accommodate more than about 30 people without people spilling outside. It was designed as a cricket pavilion not an events location, and it is not possible to get from the bar to the main accommodation without going outside. The bar area is also small and would not accommodate more than about 10 people queuing without again going outside – this invariably creates noise.
In the event of live music performances these again are almost always outside. When the field is used for a wedding party, the music is often located in a marquee that has no sound barrier at all. Performances of plays are always open air, as are the music festivals.
In all these instances sleep is almost impossible for the neighbouring properties until the event has finished.

The application states, "We will keep any speakers within the premises, and won't position them close to entrances or exits. We will not deliberately play or direct music outside the premises" If by premises the applicant is referring to the Pavilion then this policy cannot be applied to outdoor events which is a large proportion of the events organised. If by premises the applicant means the field, then keeping speakers away from entrances and exits will not have any effect on reducing the noise nuisance to neighbours. The applicant states, "We will take all reasonable steps to ensure that noise does not cause an unreasonable disturbance to the wider public, such as passers by". There are approximately 20 houses in proximity to the field whose quality of life and peace has not been considered – only passers by!!

Local residents have not had the opportunity to discuss the licence with the Hearn Field Committee nor the Parish Council and our views have not been taken into consideration.

The current Committee have overseen an ever increasing commercialisation of the village green and this cannot be allowed to continue. It is feared that possession of a licence will only encourage further commercialisation of this space that was bequeathed to the parishioners of Haccombe With Combe for their enjoyment.

We consequently strongly urge you not to grant a licence that will allow the Hearn Field and pavilion to run unlimited numbers of events until 23.30.

With Regards,

Anthony and Sandra Robinson

[REDACTED]

From: Andrew Cooper [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 February 2024 13:34
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: Hearn Field - Premises License Application

RE: Hearn Field Premises Licence Application 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP000

I wish to strongly object to this application on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance.

The Teign Estuary is a significant Area of Great Landscape Value that should be respected as such. Hearn Field is also a designated Village Green offering exceptional access for all to enjoy the natural amenity that the site has to offer. This is not a venue for multiple entertainment events with the inevitable increase in litter, light, and sound pollution.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Cooper

Church Farm
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From: Beverley Atkin [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 February 2024 22:49
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP000 - Hearn Field Premises Licence Application8

Dear Teignbridge Licensing

I would like to object to the Hearn Field Premises Licensing Application on the following grounds.

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public Safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

Hearn Field was bequeathed by Percy Hearn in 1983 for the enjoyment of the parishioners of Haccombe with Combe. It has also been given village green status.

I feel that granting a premises licence would be detrimental to the local community. This premises license application is for outdoor use in Hearn Field which has a greater public nuisance impact on neighbouring properties, than if it was inside a building.

We are on the whole a quiet sleepy village and would very much like it to remain that way.

Ticketed events whereby by local residents cannot access their "village green" are advertised widely bringing in people who do not live in the local community. This causes chaos on our very narrow country lanes posing a risk to public safety.

By granting this licence, events and activities would most definitely increase. This, as with any licensed premises would increase the risk of crime and disorder taking place.

There is already a significant impact upon the residential properties bordering the field and those on the access road.

My fear is, this premises licence application, coupled with the ever increasing clear commercial position being taken by the Parish Council, will spiral matters out of control and make life unbearable and problematic for both the neighbouring local residents and the community.

Any increase in family events poses a higher risk of harm to children due to Hearn Field having an unfenced drop to the Teign Estuary foreshore.

I have no objection to the odd temporary community event in Hearn field but feel by granting a premises licence, it would open the flood gates to increased crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and harm to children.

Beverley Atkin
Combeinteignhead resident.

Sent from my iPad

[REDACTED]

From: christopher bennett [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 February 2024 20:37
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP000 - Hearn Field Premises Licence Application

Dear Teignbridge Licensing

Ref 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP00

I am objecting to the granting of a premises licence allowing Hearn Field to sell alcohol and host events during any evening later than 2200 hours. Restricting permission to end at 2200 hours would limit the unavoidable nuisance these events cause to the local community

The application made fails to indicate any limit to the number of events to be permitted nor any limit to the level of amplified sounds reaching properties in the neighbourhood.

Previous events at these premises have not always been well managed, in terms of attendance, behaviour and traffic management, despite best efforts of the organisers.

This field belongs to the village and when gifted was intended as a green space for the quiet enjoyment of the village community. I don't think the licence applicant's have adequately considered how the village community will be affected.

While a few well managed occasional community events may be acceptable, the licence now requested could permit the venue to be used as a regular commercial enterprise and a magnet attracting outsiders whose behaviour could be to the detriment of the village community.

Unless a regular premises licence could include restriction to occasional use for specific events, the applicants should best continue to make separate application for each planned event.

Thank you for your consideration

Christopher Bennett

Old Rectory, Combeinteignhead, TQ12 4RF
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The Licensing Section
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David & Barbara Hawkins
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Newton Abbot
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27-Feb-24

Dear Sir/Madam

24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000
Hearn Field Premises Licence Application

We write to object to the licensing application on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance. We are not opposed to the principle of a permanent licence being granted but do object to the scope of this application.

This application effectively gives the Parish Council the right to have live and amplified music playing until 11.30 p.m. 365 days per year! Whilst we recognise this is unlikely to happen there is the scope for the Parish Council to significantly increase the number of events with impunity.

It is notable that the Parish Council has posted a notice on the gates to Hearn Field an explanatory note saying that this licence will remove the need for temporary licences being applied for, and that there is no intention to significantly increase the number of events being held, specifically stating that wedding celebrations will be capped at 4 per year, that amplified music must stop by 10.30 p.m. and the field must be vacated by 11 p.m..

We have no objection to this, and do not doubt the integrity of the current Parish Council, but do wonder why an application is being put forward for amplified music etc. until 11.30 p.m. If this licence is approved a future Parish Council will not necessarily feel bound to adhere to promises made by the current Parish Council, especially promises that are not legally enforceable.

As previously stated we are not opposed to the granting of a more restricted licence, e.g. one for live/amplified music until 10.30p.m., sale of alcohol until 11.00 p.m. on a specified number of occasions per year (if it is possible to grant such a licence,) or alternatively limited to Friday & Saturdays.

We understand that if there is a need for a licence on rare occasions on days other than Friday or Saturday a temporary licence can still be applied for

Yours faithfully

David Hawkins
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Barbara Hawkins

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From: David Atkin [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 13:13
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Cc: David Atkin
Subject: : 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP000 - Hearn Field Premises Licence Application

Dear Licensing,

I write in regard of the above mentioned application which I feel I must strongly object to on the following grounds.

The field was bequeathed in 1983 by local landowner Percy Hearn for " the enjoyment of the Parishioners of Hacombe-with Combe " and furthermore accessible all year round to all.

1. Prevention of Public Nuisance

I am one of the 5 residents whom adjoin the immediate boundary of the field. None of us were contacted prior to this application being submitted. This is extremely poor in my opinion and leads to mistrust with the Parish Council in respect to how such a Licence extension will be pursued as they endeavour to become more and more commercialised and move further away from the spirit of what Percy Hearn bequeathed the field for.

We are all significantly impacted to varying degrees by the current event usage of the field however supportive of the current general local community events. However, for this to be potentially expanded to facilitate with far greater ease utilisation 7 days per week, 365 days per year, 1000hrs to 2330hrs is unthinkable and grossly unfair on both the immediately affected residents as well as local village residents.

The PC are there to manage the field and to represent and protect the views of local residents yet they didn't even engage prior ?

2. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

In my opinion the Licence Application especially the " Sale of Alcohol " from 1200hrs to 2300hrs will facilitate disorder both on and around the field and the village.

The facility is not "normal " insofar that it isn't enclosed by 4 walls etc and easier to control behaviour. The field covers some 6.5 acres hence control of behaviour / noise pollution/ alcohol induced problems etc is much more difficult. Who will manage such events with an on-site presence to ensure no such unruly behaviour occurs ? It isn't acceptable to simply pass on such responsibility to the hirer and leave local neighbours to suffer and then complain after the event as is the case currently. The more the field is commercialised the greater the risk of crime and disorder on a much more regular basis.

3. The protection of children from harm

The Northern boundary of the field is unfenced and has a sheer drop of c 10 feet onto the River Teign foreshore / water which represents a significant risk to life of young unsupervised children. If this Licence Application proceeds it is highly likely the number of events involving children will increase significantly too which unless appropriately supervised will result in incidents.

I personally pursued the Parish Council for at least a year regarding an open live plug socket just inside the car park entrance gate. The plug represented a high risk danger especially to young children and was open to all the elements. My concerns were repeatedly ignored and eventually I was told the socket wasn't live. Knowing it was I plugged in a phone charger and took pictures which I then went back to the PC . Eventually the socket was repaired ! It isn't acceptable for the Parish Council to simply state on their Rules that " They do not accept any responsibility or liability for the death or injury to any person or animal upon the field and that all persons visiting the field do so entirely at their own risk "

The Parish Council have a legal duty of care and the more commercialised they become they need to ensure all necessary steps specifically in relation to H&S matters are completely covered. I do not believe the Parish Council are in a position to manage such responsibilities/ liabilities/ risk with a much wider Licence.

The application is totally inappropriate for this location and should never have been submitted without local consultation. The Parish council should act responsibly and withdraw the Application .
In the meantime I urge Teignbridge to refuse this application.

Regards
David Atkin

Sent from my iPad

'Tides',
Shaldon Road.
Combeinteignhead.
Newton Abbot. Devon.
TQ12 4RR

24.02.24

Re: Hearn field premises licence application 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIPOOO

To Whom It May Concern.

We strongly oppose any proposed changes to the premises license for Hearn Field and Pavilion.

We have been residents for 40 years and my wife has lived here since 1964 excepting (for 5 years 1979-1984).

We do not object to the occasional use that presently stands, however, please note that we have problems each firework night and during some wedding receptions with people parking on our property, requiring us to try and move them on, as they're restricting access. People park each side of the road and on the roadside grass bank opposite our house. This section of road is unlit and this irresponsible parking is dangerous. On occasion, we have witnessed bad language. There is litter alongside the roadside, which is also thrown into our property. These factors are already an issue with the current usage.

On a personal level, there are two adults living here with long term illnesses as well as an autistic child, who is very sensitive to noise. Should the emergency services be required at our residence, which happens frequently, these obstructions could delay urgent medical treatment. Having two granddaughters that reside with us, any further increase of discarded used needles and used condoms would be totally unacceptable.

Hearn field was left for the use of village people.

A licence for 365 days a year is not acceptable and could be easily exploited. There are two local pubs in the village, where is the support for local businesses that are already at jeopardy? The village hall also has a licence for functions.

ON ALL OF THE ABOVE WE STRONGLY OPPOSE ANY CHANGE TO THE EXISTING USE AND LICENCE FOR HEARNE FIELD.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr and Mrs Frederick Westlake.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 09:28
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: FW: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

HEARN FIELD PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION
REF: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

We would like to make this representation against the above application which does not conform to the following licensing conditions.

- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public Safety
- Prevention of nuisance

Background

The Hearn Field and Pavilion is a registered Village Green in a rural and unlit area, bordered on one side by the Teign Estuary and on the other three sides by residential properties. There are four access points into the field; three pedestrian and one vehicular, although the latter is by definition restricted, by virtue of Village Green status. The application proposes that the Hearn Field Committee (all of whom are volunteers) should be licence holders for a licence that would permit indoor and outdoor performances for 13 ½ hours per day and sale of alcohol on and off premises for 11 hours per day, seven days a week, therefore 365 days a year. Previous events have taken place under TENS licences.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder

This licence is being applied for because the applicants wish to stage events which allow greater numbers of attendees than that permitted under a TENS licence. They have specifically stated – on direct verbal questioning following the publication of the licensing application - that they wish to be allowed to have more than 500 people attending events. This will result in unlimited numbers of attendees, which, combined with the availability and sale of alcohol, could result in a high risk of criminal behaviour. Furthermore, the sale of alcohol for consumption off premises will facilitate the availability and consumption of alcohol in the surrounding public areas, with resultant antisocial behaviour beyond the confines of the premises.

The applicants are a small group of volunteers and therefore cannot be deemed to possess the training, skills and experience to deal with or prevent any criminal behaviour.

Public Safety

The premises are accessed along very narrow roads, mostly single track and with no street lighting, pavements or footpaths. Residents must walk along the road between residential properties and the increased traffic resulting from the proposed large events would present a very significant danger to pedestrians. The approaching roads are mostly single track, thus necessitating frequent reversing of vehicles which is an added traffic hazard, especially, but not limited to, during the hours of darkness. In the event of an emergency, it would be very difficult for emergency vehicles to safely access the premises.

Prevention of Nuisance

The licence seeks approval for playing of live and recorded music from 0800h to 2330h on any day of the year. The premises is adjacent to approximately twenty residential properties, the residents of which are entitled to the peace and quiet of the rural area in which they live. The proposed licence would undoubtedly result in an unreasonable and substantial interference in the use and enjoyment of our own homes and gardens. Events that have already taken place at the premises have caused significant disruption to our lives, with loud music being played late into the night well beyond the supposed time restrictions, noise from attendees and severe inconvenience from vehicles. We have had many instances of access being blocked to our house, together with damage to our walls and gates from manoeuvring cars. Furthermore, the unique location of the premises - being on the edge of a large body of water – amplifies the effect of loud music as the sound travels exceptionally well across the water. For this reason, it would be expected that the population of Bishopsteignton will also be adversely affected. They will not have been alerted to the application by local signage and thus may not be making representation when they might wish to do so.

The restricted access due to the nature of the roads in the vicinity will lead to extensive traffic build up and gridlock. This frequently happens if there is an accident or road closure, so we, as residents are very experienced at the alarming speed with which complete traffic standstill occurs in these cases. A large event in the Hearn Field, where there is only one vehicle gateway for entering and exiting the premises will cause complete chaos for vehicles wishing to enter and exit their own properties, or indeed others who need to use the road for normal reasons. By applying for a licence which allows events 365 days a year, we could potentially be prevented from accessing and leaving our properties on a very frequent basis.

Conclusion

It is notable that the applicants have given no consideration to the views of local residents. The application does not mention any mitigation that will be implemented to prevent residents being affected by the noise of the music nor the impact of the traffic. Furthermore, there has been no engagement with the community regarding the application. The agendas for the Parish Council and Hearn Field Committee meetings have not included this as a topic, nor has it been formally minuted as a resolution. Since the Notice of Application was displayed, which was the first time that residents were alerted to the licence application, residents have asked the applicants for a public meeting to discuss the application, but this has been steadfastly refused. This is very worrying to us in terms of setting a precedent with regards to how much collaboration and cooperation from the licence holders will be forthcoming should the licence be approved.

We respectfully request that you do not grant approval of this licence in view of the many reasons it will have a negative impact on the community and its residents.

Guy and Harriet Langworthy

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Ian Boorer [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 17:57
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: Hearn field premises licence application 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to **OBJECT** to the proposed changes to Hearn Field and the premises on it.

I have lived 4 doors along from Hearn Field for forty years. The field itself was left to the people of the parish by Percy Hearn not the Parish Council. Despite this in 2005, it was handed over to the PC to manage as custodians for this natural resource giving it village green status...Therefore, it is our village green as the villagers of Combeinteignhead.

Under the current licensing we are affected each firework night with people parking in our driveway and along both sides of the unpaved road as well as the grass bank opposite our home. My husband has to take on the task of asking these people parking on our premises to politely move on. This has led to abusive language, which in this day and age could easily escalate to a very dangerous situation! Therefore, I believe that this will impact on public safety.

Further to this my daughter is autistic and is very susceptible to noise. We can with ear defenders cope with fireworks whilst inside our house and this lasts little more than 15 minutes. The occasional wedding reception also has loud music, which often doesn't end by the specified time.

As a result we have to deal with the horrendous consequences of these noise levels on our daughter, which lead to self harming. Further extensions to licensing will lead to this increasing, resulting in my child experiencing additional harm.

After such events under the current licence, we experience rowdy behaviour, increased litter as well as smashed glass in our driveway, to which an autistic child doesn't see the danger it can present. This also being the case regarding used needles and condoms!! Which is frankly disgusting!!

Since the pavilion on the field has been used to hold functions and as a coffee shop, there have been break ins, demonstrating a level of crime and disorder.

There are two people living in our property with extremely chronic health conditions. The blocking of our driveway and the double parking along the roadside would make it very difficult for emergency services to attend our address. Such services are required frequently!

I MOST STRONGLY OPPOSE THIS APPLICATION TO CHANGE THE LICENSE CURRENTLY HELD FOR HEARN FIELD!!

Yours Faithfully,

Mr Ian Boorer.

Sent from my iPhone

Sent from Outlook for iOS

River Lodge
Shaldon Road
Combeinteignhead
Newton Abbot
TQ12 4RR

22 February 2024

The Licensing Section
Teignbridge District Council
Forde House
Brunel Road
Newton Abbot
TQ12 4XX

Dear Sir or Madam,

**PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION – HEARN FIELD, COMBEINTEIGNHEAD
DATED 1 FEBRUARY 2024**

I was shocked to see the above notice displayed and wish to object to this.

If this application is allowed to succeed then I believe that there will be many problems, but I have kept my comments to the areas that I believe apply for valid objections.

Public nuisance is a major problem for many of us living nearby. We have periodically put up with very loud live and recorded music which affects rest and sleep for us – we cannot enjoy our garden, near countryside or the Hearn Field when this is going on and allowing this licence will make the situation worse as it is so far reaching.

I believe that there has been crime in the field related to the numbers periodically allowed in, particularly from some of those returning or not leaving after an event has finished. Drug paraphernalia and disgusting litter have been found.

For the sake of making money, those of us affected are completely disrupted and our peace destroyed and nobody will take responsibility at the time probably because we are a small village with a small number of volunteers ill prepared for dealing with situations that arise.

The Hearn Field, on my opinion is not suited for open air loud events – it is just a field for the villagers.

I understand that the application was made with no consultation with the villagers which is a shame and could have prevented much anguish and bad feeling over this.

Yours faithfully,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Mr Jack Toulson.

Mr Jack Toulson

[REDACTED]

From: Heather Nash [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2024 15:31
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: Ref: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000 HEARN FIELD

Hearn Field Premises Licence Application
Ref: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

We wish to formally object to the above application for a Premises Licence at Hearn Field, predominately on the basis of Prevention of Public Nuisance, but also on Public Safety and Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

Our home is one of many properties that borders in close proximity to the open space of Hearn Field. Hearn Field is a registered Village Green in the small community of Combeinteignhead. We chose to live here to enjoy the peace, tranquility and rural open aspect of the location.

We have 'tolerated' the few community based events per year that take place on Hearn Field, as to date they have been limited in frequency and have had a cap on the numbers of attendees at 499 using a TENS licence per event.

The prospect of a full Premises Licence being granted, giving Hearn Field Committee the ability to; hold increased music / performance based entertainment events, the availability and sale of alcohol on and off premises and the potential to cater to a maximum of 5,000 attendees for up to 13.5 hours per day, 7 days a week, therefore 365 days per year seems excessive and is not welcome by us.

By nature of the location, and the small limited indoor facilities on offer, events that have been held to date are outdoor open air gatherings planned mostly to take advantage of the lighter, longer days and evenings.

Amplified noise from either live or recorded music, PA speaker systems, theatre productions with encouraged audience participation and other such gatherings carries loudly in the environment, overspilling the boundaries of the field into the neighbourhood on every occasion.

For us, this noise is audible both inside and outside of our home meaning we are 'obliged' to listen to any performance or event taking place. There does not appear to be any provision for the rights of the residents in the immediate vicinity to enjoy their peace and quiet.

The noise volume can increase significantly over the duration of time as event attendees voices tend to increase in volume as the event goes on. This does appear, in part, to be alcohol-led. There have been times on a beautiful summers evening where we have had to sit inside our home with the windows shut as the noise from a live music band playing, or groups of attendees loudly singing and shouting to each other, has been too intrusive - especially in the later parts of an evening when we wish to relax.

To summarise, we are currently adversely affected by public noise nuisance and general disturbance on every event. A full Premise licence completely opens the door to a further increase in both these aspects should more events be planned throughout the year, with a significant uplift in attendee numbers travelling from outside of the immediate area. A worry would be the impact of any anti-social behaviour both within the confines of Hearn Field or the surrounding area if an event is giving access to all day, outside alcohol drinking.

There have already been incidences with past events not finishing at their allocated time, with excessive revelry continuing after the live music has finished and low level disturbances, disorder taking place when guests departed.

The final concern is one of safety management of an excess of traffic in the area when an event is running as the nature of the small single track roads in the vicinity and narrow singular access into Hearn Field itself can allow traffic gridlock to build up quickly. There can be short term chaos while the attendees manoeuvre themselves in and out of the event alongside the public on foot on roads that are unlit and have no pavements. This happens on a limited ticket sale of 500 or less. It could be a far bigger safety concern if the numbers for each event were to increase significantly.

Finally it is disappointing to note that there has been no engagement with the community regarding the application. The topic of the application has not been documented in either the Parish Council or Hearn Field Committee agendas or minuted meeting notes and a request from residents for a public meeting to discuss the application was refused.

We appreciate you taking this information into consideration and respectfully request that you do not grant approval of this licence in view of the reasons outlined and the negative impact it will have on the community and its residents.

Lee and Heather Nash

Treetops : TQ12 4RR

[REDACTED]

From: Lynn Norrish [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2024 17:00
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPR NEW LICENSING OBJECTION

Dear Sir/Madam,

As the nearest neighbours affected by the above Licencing application at Hearn Field, Combeinteignhead, TQ121 4RR I would like to object to the licence on the following grounds:

Although the committee members applying for the licence are doing a great job as members for the local community (The Haccombe with Combe Parish Council and the Hearn Field Sub committee) and I am sure they will comply with all the comments attached to the application.

However, it is a cause for concern that in the future these current committee members will no doubt be replaced by persons as yet unknown, who may see the full licence perimeters and think that the hours on the licence, the number and type and number of events, could be exploited to turn what is a registered open space with a few well organised events each year, into a heavily commercialised over used entertainment venue.

I have been disturbed on a few occasions during the past 17 years that we have lived adjacent to the Hearn Field Pavilion (the site of the application), when private party goers have not adhered to the terms of the renting of the space, we do not wish this disturbance to increase, which if the new full licence were granted could happen. It is very difficult to end a party at 10.30pm when it is often in full flow.

The applicants may also have trouble enforcing the hours of the licence to private parties, who when viewing the closing times on the licence (23.30) may prefer to abide by this ruling as opposed to the actual terms set by the HwC PC and HF committees.

Parties that end at 10.30 often results in closing up activity for a period of time afterwards, followed by additional noise in the car park, up to one hour after the official ending time of the event, although this does not affect me directly it is not desirable for those living nearer the car park to have to endure an increase in these occurrences.

I understand that one of the reasons for the licence opposed to applying for a Temporary Event Notice is to save applying individually for each event, but there have been several people who have volunteered to assist the applicants with this task.

Regards

Lynn Norrish

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 17:46
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: Hearn Field Premises Licence Application 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

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Yours Faithfully,

Mrs Marie Boorer.

Sent from my iPhone

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[REDACTED]

From: Philip Burgess [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2024 14:25
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: Fwd: REF: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

Good afternoon Debbie

Please see my resent representation

Thank you

Philip
[REDACTED]

From: Philip Burgess [REDACTED]
Date: 26 February 2024 at 13:51:01 GMT
To: licensing@teignbridge.gov.uk
Subject: Fwd: REF: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

Hearn Field Premises License Application

REF: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIP000

I would like to make my representation as an objection against the above application which does not conform to the following licensing conditions.

- 1) Prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) Public Safety
- 3) Prevention of nuisance

Prevention of crime and disorder:

The license is being applied to upgrade from the current TENS license. They wish to have the flexibility to increase their numbers attending events from 500 to 1000 people, with no restriction to the number of events. I am so very concerned that should the license be granted this will have a direct impact to all neighbors with the potential of 1000 people per event being under the influence of alcohol served for up to 11 hours in the day which will inevitably result in

potential loud and unsociable behavior and potentially criminal activity whilst under the influence of alcohol. This puts us all at significant risk, not withstanding a significant invasion of our privacy.

Public Safety:

Hearn Field is accessed on the very narrow Shaldon Road, which is predominately single track and has no pathways nor street lighting. Should there be an emergency at one of these events ie "A Fire" thus requiring Emergency Service Vehicles, their direct access will be severely compromised accessing the Emergency due to the excessive amount of vehicles as the Hearn Field car parking area is so very limited. This in turn could put many casualties at risk potentially even death if they were not reached in time. Also people / pedestrians from these events will also be putting themselves at risk as undoubtedly they will need to walk to and from the events along Shaldon Road due the significant lack of parking. Not withstanding just the events but should any of us in the area require our own Emergency call out and being of an older generation we are paranoid for our health and wellbeing so in the event of say Heart Attack and the Emergency Services were unable to reach us in time this could well result in a death. Doesn't bear worth thinking about.

Prevention of Nuisance:

The license seeks approval for playing live and recorded music from 0800h to 2330h on any day of the year. My property is directly adjacent to Hearn Field along with approximately twenty other neighboring properties. The proposed license will undoubtedly result in unreasonable loud music for many hours thus impacting on the peace and quiet of our tranquil village. The events that have already taken place to date have

caused significant disruption with curfew hours not being adhered to. We have also experienced many issues with cars parking directly in front of our gates therefore blocking our access. Should this license being granted with the potential doubling of attendees to the events this will undoubtedly add considerably more inconvenience and danger. There has been no consideration made in the application dealing with the excess traffic coupled with the Hearn Field car park holding nor more than 25 cars. An event with capacity 1000 people could equate to potentially 500 cars to which will cause complete chaos on Shaldon Road and be significantly dangerous putting many lives at risk.

Conclusion:

The Hearn Field Committee have given no consideration whatsoever to local residents and have failed to protect the current harmony of our tranquil village should the license be granted. The fact that there has been No notification of their application other than the notice stapled to the Hearne Field pedestrian gate. In my opinion it shows there are ulterior motives behind their application as the license application has not even appeared on the agendas for the Parish Council nor Hearn Field Committee. We have asked the applicants as residents for a public meeting to discuss their application, to which they are adamant in their refusal.

I would respectfully request upon receiving our grave concerns and objections that you do not consider this application for approval.

Thank you

Philip Burgess



[REDACTED]

From: Paul Norrish [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2024 12:09
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPR NEW LICENCING OBJECTION

Dear Sir/Madam,

As the nearest neighbours affected by the above Licencing application at Hearn Field, Combeinteignhead, TQ121 4RR I would like to object to the licence on the following grounds:

Although the committee members applying for the licence are doing a great job as members for the local community (The Haccombe with Combe Parish Council and the Hearn Field Sub committee) and I am sure they will comply with all the comments attached to the application.

However, it is a cause for concern that in the future these current committee members will no doubt be replaced by persons as yet unknown, who may see the full licence perimeters and think that the hours on the licence, the number and type and number of events, could be exploited to turn what is a registered open space with a few well organised events each year, into a heavily commercialised over used entertainment venue.

I have been disturbed on a few occasions during the past 17 years that we have lived adjacent to the Hearn Field Pavilion (the site of the application), when private party goers have not adhered to the terms of the renting of the space, we do not wish this disturbance to increase, which if the new full licence were granted could happen. It is very difficult to end a party at 10.30pm when it is often in full flow.

The applicants may also have trouble enforcing the hours of the licence to private parties, who when viewing the closing times on the licence (23.30) may prefer to abide by this ruling as opposed to the actual terms set by the HwC PC and HF committees.

Parties that end at 10.30 often results in closing up activity for a period of time afterwards, followed by additional noise in the car park, up to one hour after the official ending time of the event, although this does not affect me directly it is not desirable for those living nearer the car park to have to endure an increase in these occurrences.

I understand that one of the reasons for the licence opposed to applying for a Temporary Event Notice is to save applying individually for each event, but there have been several people who have volunteered to assist the applicants with this task.

Regards

Paul Norrish

[REDACTED]

From: MIKE bond [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 February 2024 20:46
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object to the request for licensing made by Haccombe-with-Combe parish council for Hearn field, Combeinteignhead- Reference 24/00129/LPRNEW.

The 6.5 acre rural site concerned is in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, part of the Coastal Preservation Area and within a conservation area and was bequeathed to parishioners by Percy Hearn - "for the enjoyment of the Parishioners of Haccombe-with-Combe". It is not owned by the parish council, they are custodians for the parishioners.

The granting of such a licence would cause issues with crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and protection of children from harm.

It appears the application is being made on the basis of having a 'Designated Premises Supervisor', as otherwise the responsibility would be undefined and uncontrolled if it were a 'Management Committee', due to the turnover and lack of continuity of the parish council. Even so, I do not have faith that the requisite training and appropriate staffing will be applied to ensure legality, safety, lack of nuisance and safety for children. I believe there is no CCTV, insufficient lighting, as well as the site having dated and limited facilities to accommodate regular functions, especially if in excess of 500 people.

A previous application for a licence in 2020 was denied. I believe the fundamental reason for that decision has not changed.

There have been reports of drug use and possible drug dealing, as well as drunken behaviour by minors on the premises, minuted by the parish council meetings.

If it was believed that alcohol was stored on the premises, due to its remote location and probable long response time for law enforcement I believe the mainly wooden pavilion with little security would be seen as a soft target for crime.

The intention and bequest of this premise and 6.5 acre site was not intended to produce revenue, especially from the sale of alcohol with its possible associated anti social repercussions, it is "for the enjoyment of the Parishioners of Haccombe-with-Combe".

I live near the village hall in Combe and we overhear any activities there as sound travels easily here. But we tolerate these as we chose to live here. Residents next to Hearn field should not have to suffer noise and lighting pollution from excessive events at the pavilion as it is a designated 'Village Green', not a bar venue.

Noise easily travels uphill from activities at the pavilion to many residents.

There are events held that are suitable for families and children to attend, to ensure safety of a 6.5 acre intangible, insecure site would require more appropriately qualified staff than would be practical on a regular basis.

There are two excellent pubs in Combeinteignhead and the village hall is fully licenced, all suitable and capable of catering for functions requiring alcohol. With a Parish of only approx 800 inhabitants there is no requirement at parishioners inconvenience for regular events requiring a full licence.

The village does not have the amenity to cope with regular large events, Combe Cellars have complained when their car park has been used for Hearn field events. Lack of car parking and pedestrians on the narrow lanes, especially at night with no lighting, causes many issues of safety.

The present TEN's applications are sufficient for welcome village events.

Please deny this application.
Thank you

Mrs Susan Bond
(Parishioner Haccombe-with-combe)

[REDACTED]

From: Sue Hayter [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2024 16:31
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW/TEIOOO-Hearn Field Licence Application

I wish to object to the above application on the following grounds.

The prevention of public nuisance

My primary concern is that to issue a premises licence for this location is inappropriate. It is a registered Village Green(designated by Devon County Council in 2005) and as such is an area which should be available to local residents to enjoy at all times.A licence would have the potential to limit this access. The field and pavilion are used and enjoyed though out the year both on an informal basis and for organised events. The later have been given under temporary licence which better fits the ethos of the space. It is not and should not be made into a location for frequent activities which would impact free access and have consequences for the surrounding residents in the form of increased noise levels and traffic congestion.

I feel that before this application was submitted parishioners should have been consulted so that parameters could have been set to limit the inevitable problems with noise and nuisance. This application should be turned down so that informed consultation can take place.

Sincerely Sue Hayter Sent from my iPad

[REDACTED]

From: Wendy Toulson [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 February 2024 16:41
To: Ext Mail: Licensing
Subject: 24/00129/LPRNEW / TEIP000 - Hearn Field Premises Licence Application

Dear Licensing, we write to object to the above on the following grounds -
The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance
The protection of children from harm.

The 6.5 acre field in question is in the middle of a residential area with hedgerow bordering 3 sides and the Teign Estuary on the 4th with 4 entrance points. As such it is and has been very accessible meaning easy entry has generally been made not just by local people but those intent on anti-social behaviour and who have previously left used condoms, needles and rubbish eg portable barbecues to be cleaned up by locals. Extensive, mainly plastic, debris has also been found on the foreshore from the field use. There has also been at least one break in to the Pavilion building on site in recent times.

This field, Hearn Field, is a registered Village Green - agreed designation by Devon County Council in 2005, which means that access to parishioners cannot be prevented to enjoy the open space so it is undesirable, impractical and illegal, we believe, to restrict entry. Therefore it is not possible to protect the field from entry by the wider public including those who wish to carry out anti-social behaviour. We are not against community events and have enjoyed many of these over the years, but the fact is that the more the field is commercialised, the higher the profile of the field is raised and the higher the likelihood of increased anti-social behaviour. Other events held elsewhere in the village have had to cease due to over commercialisation over what is a small community - a parish of approximately 800 encompassing Combeinteignhead village and the hamlets of Haccombe, Netherton, Lower Netherton and Buckland Barton, as well as encompassing areas in Milber and Buckland. Combeinteignhead therefore has a population of much less than this overall figure but the last major event attracted 460 attendees!

We already have two village pubs and a licensed village hall within Combeinteignhead to support.

During large events or activities our lanes, which have no pavements, become congested creating issues for horse riders, cyclists, walkers, etc and has meant vehicles parked on private properties and driveways. There is no provision for off street parking and the Hearn Field only has a small car park for about 25 vehicles - parking on the Hearn Field can be a legal issue regarding the Village Green registration.

Often these events take place "out of hours" so it can make contact with the authorities difficult (there has been no designated Parish Councillor taking responsibility out of hours) and many of our residents are elderly and/or unwell meaning that many do not feel able to or have the energy to challenge those disrupting their otherwise peaceful existence - but of course it does not mean that they are unaffected.

The field is essentially managed by a limited number of village volunteers not professional managers and so are naturally restricted and not equipped to deal with issues such as anti social behaviour, underage drinking, safeguarding of children and highway issues, etc. The area and accessibility of the field mean it is

not practical particularly once it is dark to effectively monitor what is going in the field which has no field lighting. Previous events have led to open disagreement within the Parish.

This licence allows for 7 days a week, 365 days a year, events from 8 am/10 am to 11.30 pm. This is unfair on surrounding locals and in particular near neighbours, some of whom came to live here when the field was an agricultural one before it was gifted to the village.

Loud music played in to the open air, whether facing away or not from those affected, is highly intrusive – the pavilion itself is small and wooden built – much smaller for example than our more suitable Village Hall which already holds events which are generally held within a building of standard construction so with much more insulation.

Complaints, particularly noise, have been made before from us and others about events, but unfortunately the PC have not dealt with these, simply dismissing us as spoilsports, sleeping in their beds while we cannot in ours.

Previously, even under a limited number of events, surrounding locals and near neighbours have had to listen to someone else's choice of music played at high volume and to have this able to be extended to 7 days a week,.....is grossly unfair and disrespectful of our right to be able to enjoy our homes in peace. We feel this would be a gross public nuisance. In the past such public nuisance has led to parishioners threatening to disrupt events, disconnecting power (for music) and generally has created hostility and bad feeling which we feel would be increased if this licence giving such far reaching powers, is permitted. The PC have advised that one reason for the application is flexibility regarding events, etc, but we do not want this wide scope of flexibility over our Village Green.

We have offered voluntary completion of future TENS forms - given as the other reason for this application- but this offer appears to have been dismissed as has ours and others concerns over this licence.

We have requested clarification on a number of issues, but to date only a limited number of these concerns have been (poorly) addressed - if the PC cannot even engage with those it is supposed to represent, how can they manage the terms of such a far reaching licence?

The PC has been contacted by parishioners to withdraw the licence but this has not materialised and even the previously placating contact has now ceased despite assurances to sort. If the PC can dismiss concerns in such a way, we do not believe they can manage the field under such an all encompassing licence.

Please do not allow this licence to be granted.

Regards,

Wendy Toulson

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