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Northumberland County Council Mail - Fwd: Plough on the hill west allerdean premises license application



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To: David Grenfell <david.grenfell@northumberland.gov.uk>
Cc: Heather Gebbie <heather.gebbie@northumberland.gov.uk>

15 May 2020 at 16:28

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From:
Date: Fri, 15 May 2020 at 16:21
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To: <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>

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To whom it may concern,

I am mailing to raise my concerns over certain aspects of the premises licence applied for, for The Plough on the Hill at West Allerdean TD15 2TD.

We live at 1 West Allerdean Cottages and are the Ploughs nearest neighbour being directly across the road.

We have lived here for 2 and a half years. We moved from a busy town in Leicestershire for a different and more fulfilling lifestyle and to improve our quality of life. We wished to experience and embrace living in what we consider to be one of the most beautiful parts of our country amongst stunning scenery in a peaceful rural setting and to enjoy being part of the local community.

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I work at The Masons Arms in the village of Norham approximately 4 miles away. So I appreciate first hand how important a role a pub plays in supporting the local community especially in rural areas where people can be quite isolated. However I feel that this application does not take any of the community's needs into account. The owner or managers name hasn't been made known to us and at no point has there been any communication with us concerning how this might affect us or what role we as a community would like the pub to play.

As I understand it the 4 criteria that the council sees relevant in the granting of licences are

1. Prevention of crime and disorder
2. Public safety
3. Prevention of public nuisance
4. Protection of children from harm

Yet nowhere on the application have these issues been addressed or any information given on how they are going to manage the effects the disturbance and opening hours will have on us the local community.

In your licensing policy you state "NCC want businesses to operate responsibly and safely to ensure our residents live in decent neighbourhoods and have a good quality of life".

How would a pub operating from 8am until 1.30am 7 days a week provide us residents with a good quality of life. Because of the very rural location of the plough a vast majority of customers will be arriving and leaving by car or taxi. So on every day of the week there is the potential of people laughing, talking saying their goodbyes, car doors slamming and car engines starting up in the early hours of the morning.

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We know from experience of when the plough was open before that this is clearly audible in our bedroom and has been enough to wake us in the past.

We also know from experience that taxis on arriving will sit outside and sound their horn rather than go and fetch the fare.

It also states in the council document that live music and dance are licensable until 11pm so why is the applicant asking for 1am.

When the plough traded before the music could be clearly heard in our home. At best the acoustic sessions could be heard in our bedroom and on a couple of occasions we moved into the spare room on the other side of the house in order to sleep. At worst if a local band were playing we had to give up any idea of sleep as the bass would just drum through the whole house. Needless to say no windows could be opened even on the warmest of summer nights and I would like to add that the cottage has 18 inch stone walls which gives you an idea of how loud it has been.

When the plough previously traded all music nights were indoors with as far as we could tell all doors and windows closed yet the level was clearly heard within our home so if the new applicants license is approved and music was allowed outside as well as until 1am potentially every day of the week we simply wouldn't have any quality of life.

Pubs have a responsible role to play within the community and reflect the needs of the local community. This is a hardworking rural community with a small population are we really going to be wanting to dance until 1am 7 days a week? Also is it responsible to be serving alcohol from 10am until 1am 7 days a week in an

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area with poor street lighting and a high number of drivers because of the location of the premises.

We also understand that car parking is a planning issue but would like to raise it as a nuisance and safety issue. In the past customers have used our private parking to the front of the cottages to park in and have also blocked our access to the rear of the property despite no parking signs being displayed.

We have also witnessed many near misses in the past where cars have parked on the road which is blind in both directions with no 30mph limit. A road which is used mainly by heavy agricultural machinery and grain haulage lorries. When we pull out of the lane to the front of the property if there are vehicles parked on the road we do so with absolutely no visibility whatsoever.

I understand that there are also plans for a marquee to be built while I accept that this is also a planning issue I would just like to state that if this goes ahead we will lose the stunning view we have over the countryside to the cheviots which gives us so much pleasure particularly the deer that inhabit the fields at the back of the pub. This was one of the reasons we chose the cottage and to lose that would be heartbreaking and for me shows the complete lack of consideration the licensee has to how this is going to impact us as individuals and a community.

We had been making alterations to the cottage with a view to my parents moving in. My stepfather has early onset dementia due to a serious brain injury sustained in a car accident and my mum has had a couple of years of bad health including cancer. She is struggling and would like to move in with us temporarily at first to see how it

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goes. But if this licence is granted this wont be an option as my stepfather gets very agitated by excessive noise.

On a personal level I feel this has already impacted on my mental health to a degree just worrying about the potential change to a life that we love. If these hours are allowed particularly the music and especially if it is allowed outside our quality of life will be seriously impacted and the lifestyle we moved here to enjoy will not be achievable.

Yours with regards

Mr & Mrs Steven's

1 West Allerdean Cottages
TD152TD

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Name:Mrs Jane W Smales

Address: ... Thornton Farm, Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2LP.....

Licensing Objective..... Application for a New Premises Licence

Premises: ... The Plough Inn (The Plough on the Hill), Allerdean, Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2TD
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Reason for Representation:

I am a director of L C Smales & Son Ltd which operates a farming and secure storage business from West Allerdean Farm, Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2TD

Originally when this public house was refurbished, I wrote to The Planning Authority expressing my support as I believed that rural businesses should be supported. When the previous occupiers applied for a licence to be open till 1.00 am and have late night refreshment till 5.00 am with live music both indoors and outdoors, I objected strongly. I would like to object again to the current application again on the grounds of public nuisance.

There are no public houses in the locality that have extended licences. I see no reason why The Plough should be any different. The hamlet around the public house is made up of homes with young families or elderly persons who will be disturbed by late opening hours and music being played inside and outdoors.

With late opening hours there will be the associated late night starting of engines and inevitable noise of drunken passengers leaving. Cars will be parked and left overnight causing inappropriate parking close to the private houses or on the side of the main road outside our storage warehouse. Our business requires access to this warehouse directly opposite the Plough Inn (Plough on the Hill), 24 hours a day but if there are cars parked or left overnight, we cannot guarantee entry to the facility for our customers.

I feel strongly that there is no need to have the ability to have music playing till 1.00 a.m. seven days a week or the permission in place to have late night refreshment both inside and out till 1.00 a.m. seven nights a week also.

Yours sincerely

Jane W Smales

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Signed

Date 17.05.2020

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20200504-Plough-Inn-public-app1-1 - Objection to License

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Lezley Younger

18 May 2020 at 13:52

To: "licensing@northumberland.gov.uk" <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>

In the licensing policy it is stated as a vision that "NCC want businesses to operate responsibly and safely to ensure our residents live in decent neighbourhoods and have a good quality of life." The Council also "recognise the important role which pubs and licensed premises play in our local communities...by supporting responsible premises and reflecting the need of the local community." However, this application has opening hours between 8.00 am until 1.30 am, 7 days a week. When will we the residents and neighbours in this community get a break from pub activities if this is sanctioned? We have been disrupted by the former owners/tenants of The Plough on the Hill (the Kingsleys) by their playing of loud amplified music from hosting live bands and musicians on the premises, and from marquees erected on the grassed area adjacent to the pub and its car park for the purpose of hosting weddings and functions with inadequate sound proofing of the marquees. Our having to put up with the commotion coming to bear from ongoing loud music, revellers congregating outside laughing, singing and shouting, cars, taxis, minibuses coming and going and in some instances Police having to be called out to the premises by ourselves/neighbours because of fighting and drunken behaviour with bottles and glasses being thrown and smashed onto the main road in the early hours of the morning. We understand that live music, plays and dance are licensable until 11.00 pm on any

day, so why the need to operate such goings on until 1.00 am?
We object at this is all unacceptable.

The applicant has not shown or outlined due consideration to the setting of the pub. They have not shown they are a responsible licensee by detailing how they will manage the effects of the opening hours on the local community and reduce the risk of disturbance. The Council takes into consideration the level of public transport, which in this case is a 22-seater bus operating four times a day and ceases running at 6:00 pm every evening, so not likely to drum up much trade for the pub. Also the likely means of transport that the customers will use which will obviously include an influx of cars, taxis, minibuses - as per previous owner/tenants (the Kingsleys) operated to ferry their customers to and from the pub from the town.

We do not need the disruption from all of the above mentioned nor do we wish to be dancing until 1.00 am 7 days a week. Our pet horses and dogs do not cope well with activities going on outside there home and surroundings until the early hours either. Our dogs are given to bark at the intrusion of noise and disturbance in the early hours as they think our property is being invaded.

None of the above-mentioned activities that the licensee will inevitably be catering for are necessary for the neighbouring community. The neighbouring community has always been happy over the generations with a quiet local pub and small restaurant that operated on these premises . This all changed when our old pub (The Plough Inn) was dismantled and re-built/renamed as The Plough on the Hill (by the Kingsleys) and laid host to the disruption of our normal, rural way of life by noisy revelry being staged through them as the licensees and we do not wish this trend to continue under the new licensee.

On a more personal level, our daughter is autistic and as a result has very heightened senses and awareness. Autism is a life-long condition for which there is no cure. She also suffers from anxiety and depression as a direct result of her autism and is receiving medication for this. The only way for us to 'cope' therefore with her autism is to try to put into place certain coping strategies i.e. living in our quiet surroundings away from the noise and hubbub of the town, thus allowing her to be able to go outdoors freely. When noise becomes disrupting and unsettling for her, such as the noise of a lawnmower or strimmer being operated, then she dons her headphones to dilute said noise. She will only listen to a certain genre of music that appeals to her, anything else is an assault on her senses and is unsettling and upsetting. She cannot cope with large gatherings and the plethora of noise attached to these. Hence, living next to a pub with a license to serve alcohol and food and play acoustic and/or amplified music from 8.00 am until 1.00 am 7 days a week both indoors and outdoors was and would continue to be extremely detrimental to her mental health and well-being as this occurrence would be outwith our control to minimise! We do not want our daughter having to live with wearing headphones more often and not being able to go out freely just to drown out the noise and comings and goings from the pub. We do not want to have our daughter's sleep interrupted until 1.00 am 7 days a week from the noise of revellers, drunken shouting, cars and taxis coming and going, nuisance behaviour happening metres from her bedroom window. The Pub and our hamlet is atop a very windy hill and noise is carried by and amplified by the wind. This license application would be unacceptable and an infringement on her human rights. It has taken us several hours to calm our daughter down after being woken from her sleep by goings on at the pub, which disrupts our sleep/waking, work/home-life balance too.

We see on the licensees plans that they intend to provide more car parking for their premises. However, if past happenings are

anything to go by, then even this extra car parking would not be sufficient to accommodate the quantity of vehicles that have descended on the pub and that have parked on the grass verges and roadside adjacent to the pub on a bad, blind bend. Cars even park on our car standing area outside our private homes with little or no consideration to our comings and goings in our own cars, or to the noise customers make to-ing and fro-ing to there cars at all times of the day, night and early hours of the morning. Some customers have been known to urinate against the walls of our homes and cars as the pub facilities were closed to them!

We are totally against this licensing application in its present form.

Mr and Mrs E Younger and family
The Old Farmhouse / 2 West Allerdean Cottages
Berwick upon Tweed
TD15 2TD

date: 18 May 2020

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18 May 2020 at
14:34

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Name: RODNEY GALE MARTON Address: OLD SHORESWOOD HALL

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TD15 2ND Licensing Objective: APPLICATION FOR VARIED PREMISES LICENCE

Premises: THE PLOUGH, ALLERDEAN TD15 2TD

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

WE LIVE ONE FIELD AWAY FROM THE PLOUGH INN AND NOISE CARRIES VERY EASILY. IT IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE PLACE TO HAVE MUSIC LIVE OR OTHERWISE. A TOWN IS THE PLACE IT IS A QUIET COUNTRY COMMUNITY AND SHOULD REMAIN AS SUCH. THE PLOUGH INN IS ON A SLIGHT HILL LEADING TO CROSS ROADS. IF THERE ARE TOO MANY CARS IT WILL BE VERY DANGEROUS. THE CAR PARK IS VERY SMALL. HENCE NOT A SUITABLE VENUE FOR DRINKING AND DANCING. WE SAY NO TO THIS APPLICATION.

Signed

Date 15-5-2020

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Name: JILLIAN WHITING Address: 10 SHORESDEAN

BARWICK UPON TWEED Licensing Objective: NOISE

Premises: THE PLOUGH ON THE HILL

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

The licence is for music until 1.00 am which is not really acceptable for a quiet country area like ours. There is no parking for big groups.

Signed

Date May 16th 2020

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Name: Colin and Sheena Taylor Address: Shoreswood Hall Farmhouse
Application for varied premises licence
Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2NQ Licensing Objective:

Premises: Plough Inn Allerdean TD15 2TD

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

I feel it necessary to strongly object to the licensing application for the Plough Inn at Allerdean, TD15 2TD.

Live or recorded music from 08 am until 01 am and closing at 1.30 am is not suitable for this area. There are families living very close to the Plough Inn and this would cause serious disturbance to their lives, with the outdoor music and noise until the early hours of the morning. It is a peaceful rural area and that is the way people enjoy it and should remain that way. I have lived here all my life and there is no requirement for anything like this, it is something more suited for the cities. Late night drinking always brings problems such as unsocial behaviour. Which is not wanted in these small communities.

As it's out in the country there will be a lot of traffic late at night to transport people back to the town creating more disturbance and increase risk of accident late at night, early hours of the morning.

There is not enough car parking space for holding large events ie. Weddings and large gatherings such as music nights.

There was a wedding on the Saturday the 12th August 2017. The cars were parked on the B6354 which is very dangerous as there is a bend at the top of the hill outside the pub and on a cross roads so cars were parked on the side of these roads and on grass verges and some of the guests parked outside the houses on the opposite side to the Plough on the Hill, which when the residents came home they could not park outside their own homes. If other events like this one is allowed it is an accident waiting to happen.

There is a storage business at the opposite side of the road. Cars will park in this area as there wont be space at the Plough Inn. As drink is being served I'm sure some cars will be left overnight. This will cause difficulty to the business.

There is no possibility of creating enough parking spaces at the Plough Inn, there is not enough land to do it.

As we own the field around the Plough inn we have concerns that the sewage system is not capable of this quantity of people. The overflow goes through our field.

It also has to be stated that there is a boundary dispute due to the fact that the owners of the plough inn has built the decking area over onto our land past the boundary.

So does that mean they are trying to get drinks permission on a part of our land.

We defiantly say no to the proposed licence as it is not suitable for this area.

Signed

Date 16-05-2020

Signed

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Name: Keith and Laura Gribbin.

Address: West Allerdean Farm, Berwick-upon-Tweed, TD15 2TD

Licensing Objective: Application for a Premise License

Premises: Plough Inn, Allerdean, TD15 2TD

Reason for Representation:

We object to the variation of times and activities proposed under the application for the Premise License at the Plough Inn, West Allerdean.

In regards Section 7 (Films) we would challenge the opening hours from 08.00 to 01.00 as there is no mention of any protection of children from harm measures to be put in place. Admission of children should be restricted in accordance with the British Board of Film Classification. There is no mention of staff training on this matter nor any details of the prevention of public nuisance measures to be in place for these operating hours. We would consider these hours extreme for a local pub exhibiting films, 7 days a week to the well-being of the local community.

Section 10 (Provision of live music), Section 11 (Provision of recorded music), Section 12 (Provision of performances of dance) and Section 13 (Provision of anything of a similar description to live music, recorded music or performances of dance) detail the hours applicable as 10.00 to 01.00, seven days per week. We would challenge the excessive nature of these hours and the fact that all four sections are both indoor and outdoor. There is no mention of the prevention of public nuisance measures to be in place for these operating hours. There is no consideration for surrounding neighbours or businesses detailed in this section. There is concern that music and dancing (indoors and outdoors) between these hours will heavily impact neighbouring families and their quality of sleep. The noise levels, along with the subsequent noise

made by staff and patrons at such events will contribute to noise pollution. When the Plough previously had bands playing, we could hear the music from our home (200m from the pub), often late at night and during the weekends. To have this seven days a week is intolerable and highly inconsiderate. There are no sound proofing measures in place at present nor detailed within the application for outdoor music. There is no mention of how this will be monitored and managed by staff.

Section 14 (Late night refreshment) allows for this activity between the hours of 23.00 to 01.00 seven days per week both indoor and outdoor. Again, we would raise concerns on the application as there is no mention of the prevention of public nuisance measures to be in place for these operating hours. There is no consideration for surrounding neighbours or businesses detailed in this section. Previously under the existing licensing hours we would often have to collect discarded bottles and glasses where patrons had dumped them the previous night near our property. Patrons appeared to have thrown empty bottles and pint glasses into the hedge row/grass verges on the walk to the taxi or car. Broken glass impacts where we walk our dogs and ride our bikes. With the potential of serving food (hot and cold) indoors and importantly outdoors until 01.00, seven days per week; there is no information about waste disposal procedures for patrons. The management of public nuisance caused by noise has also not been given. We have concern that littering and noise pollution outdoors between these hours will heavily impact on the surrounding rural environment and our family life. There is no mention of how this will be monitored and managed by staff.

Overall, there is real concern over the premises' operating hours as detailed in Section 17 (Hours are open to the public) from 08.00 to 01.30, seven days per week. Again, we cannot see how the application has aligned to the full four licensing objectives as there is no mention of Public Safety, no mention of the prevention of public nuisance and no mention of the protection of children from harm. The opening hours are out of place for our community and not in keeping with our rural situation. We can confirm that as local residents that neither ourselves nor our neighbours have been given any indication of the terms of this application, any assurances on the impact it will cause our families and the potential for disruption to our rural life. This does not accord with the NCC vision of businesses to be safeguarding the community's right to a good quality of life.

SignedKeith Gribbin and Laura Gribbin... Date.....23 May 2020.....

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Name: Stuart Taylor Address: 2 Shoreswood Hall Farm cottages
Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2NQ Licensing Objective: Application for varied premises licence, alcohol, films, music.

Premises: Plough Inn Allerdean TD15 2TD

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

I object to the application for provision of live and recorded music, dancing, films and supply of alcohol from 10:00 to 1:00 seven days a week, inside and outside.

I have lived on the farm next to the pub all my life. With my partner and our 2 children aged 5 and 7.

There is absolutely no need for a country pub to provide alcohol and entertainment from 10:00 to 1:00 seven days a week. The pub worked perfectly fine serving alcohol to 23:00 and closing at 23:30, the same as any other country pubs. Late night drinking can often lead to antisocial behaviour, which will be very distressing for the young families and other residents who live in close proximity to the pub, and everyone else in the area.

The pub is situated in a quiet community and very peaceful rural area, where even voices can be heard over great distances, so any outdoor music, dancing or entertainment is a definite no. Even drinking outdoors late in the evening will be very disruptive, as people tend to become louder and their language turns more offensive with more alcohol. This will be very disturbing for everyone trying to get to sleep, for work or school the next day, causing stress, anxiety and lack of sleep, all of this can affect mental health and well being.

The pub is located out in the countryside on the side of a 60 mph road, on a bend with a blind summit, staggered junction and poor lighting. There are only 24 parking spaces on site, some of which will be used by staff. This leads to people parking on the side of the road and even on residents property, like on the 12th august 2017. causing a nuisance and hazard to everyone living here and road users. Long, late drinking and partying will lead to people wandering around on the road, putting themselves and others at serious risk.

This used to be a very popular pub that was enjoyed by all, with sensible opening hours and fitted in well with the community.

This application clearly shows a complete lack of respect for the area and the effect it will have on all of the community. A serious application will be to serve alcohol to 23:00, closing at 23:30 and no outdoor entertainment.

Signed ...

Date 18/5/20

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Name: MR & MRS ALLEN Address: 21, SHORESDEAN

TDIS 24J Licensing Objective: LATE NIGHT MUSIC
LICENSE

Premises: THE PLOUGH, ALLERDEAN.

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Consuming Alcohol especially until 1pm will increase anti-social behaviour. How will the customers get to the venue? It is a very out of the way site. Will encourage drink driving. The noise will have a detrimental effect on the local community, as it is a quiet rural farming area and sound travels across the open fields. The position of the Plough is on a crossroads which could also be very unsafe especially in the darker months with no street lighting. Harm will be caused to children playing on the playpark if their parents are in the premises consuming alcohol, as it is so near the road and crossroads. →
P.T.O.

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Although the locals would be happy having a pub again it seems that the current applicant is going to use The Plough more as a venue, which means customers will be from outside this community, so will be of no benefit to this community. We strongly oppose this application and are very concerned how it is going to affect our peaceful lives.

21/5/2020.

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6/3/2020

Northumberland County Council Mail - Fwd: letter of objection plough on the hill

Subject: letter of objection plough on the hill

To: licensing@northumberland.gov.uk <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>

We don't agree that a quiet rural family location should be disrupted with loud outdoor events where the noise carries so easily, from hearing the last owners music playing in the early hours of the morning. Not to mention the increase in the number of loud antisocial drinkers that late night events attract.

John and Sharon Taylor



letterof objection (1).rtf

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David Grenfell <david.grenfell@northumberland.gov.uk>

3 June 2020 at 09:35

To: [redacted]

Good morning,

Thank you for your emailed representation in regards to the premises licence application for the Plough Inn. We will contact you in due course with the date, time and venue of the hearing.

regards

David

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David Grenfell

Licensing Officer (Processing)

Licensing Department

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Signed

Date ...29th May...2020.

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Urgent - Objection to New Premises License at The Plough II, Allerdean.

1 message

Jon Dixon
To: Licensing@northumberland.gov.uk

31 May 2020 at 21:51

Dear Sirs,

We write to you regarding the application for a new premises license at the 'The Plough Inn, Allerdean. TD15 2TD.

Our property is a short distance from the Plough Inn. We strongly object to the application for the following reasons:

1. COVID19 – Given the recent restrictions on public gatherings and community meetings, full and thorough public consultation has not been possible. As a neighbour to the Plough Inn, we have not been formally notified. It was only by chance that we saw a notice on the gate of the pub. We feel the public consultation period should be extended to allow a fairer appraisal of this application.

Should an extension to the public consultation period not be granted, we currently object based on the following grounds:

2. Noise – Whilst we would support any local family pub or business. This is a quiet and rural community. The hours applied for are excessive and not reflective of a standard pub. The hours applied are in keeping with 'festival' hours But seven days a week!

3. Safety – There is limited public transport to this venue. Therefore, it is expected that visitors will visit using motor vehicles. There is limited parking at this venue. The entrance and exit to the venue is on a blind bend in a national speed limit area (60mph). The safety of visitors, neighbours and other road users is of concern with the potential increase in visitor numbers.
4. Light – Aside from an increase in noise due to hosting in a marquee, the light pollution generated by such events would negatively impact on our community (Neighbours, animals etc)
5. Emergency Services – The rural location makes for limited and delayed emergency services. An increase in hours and visitors would increase the risk of emergency services being needed.

As already stated, we would support a local pub and accept that on occasion, their license would be extended for special events. However, we cannot accept that these extensions are permanent (Over 100 hours per week of access to alcohol and loud external music), all year. This is not in keeping with the area.

We trust our objections will be registered and considered.

Kind regards,

Jon Dixon

Campion Hill

Allerdean

TD15 2NQ

6/3/2020

Northumberland County Council Mail - Fwd: Application Plough on the Hill



David Grenfell <david.grenfell@northumberland.gov.uk>

Fwd: Application Plough on the Hill

2 messages

Licensing Mailbox <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>

1 June 2020 at 10:23

To: David Grenfell <david.grenfell@northumberland.gov.uk>, Heather Gebbie <heather.gebbie@northumberland.gov.uk>

Ive attached this objection to the SRU

Trace

Licensing Team
Business Compliance & Public Safety Unit
Housing and Public Protection Service
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----- Forwarded message -----

From: Heather Henderson

Date: Mon, 1 Jun 2020 at 10:22

Subject: Application Plough on the Hill

To: licensing@northumberland.gov.uk <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>

6/3/2020

Northumberland County Council Mail - Fwd: Application Plough on the Hill

Dear Sir

As a resident of a small village situated half a mile from the Plough, I object to a marquee in the grounds of the Plough, also the late Opening times being requested, as community would be disturbed by noise, residents are mostly elderly, also parking would cause problems

Heather Henderson
Shoresdean

Sent from my iPhone

David Grenfell <david.grenfell@northumberland.gov.uk>

3 June 2020 at 13:36

To: r

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Thank you for your representation in regards to the premises licence application for the Plough Inn. We will notify you in due course of the date, time and venue of the hearing, where the application will be determined.

regards

David

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Licensing Officer (Processing)

Licensing Department

Business Compliance & Public Safety Unit

Notice of Representation

Members of the public can submit representations in objection to or in support of the premises licence applications, within the 28 day consultation period.

Please be aware that for any objections to be considered relevant, they should be submitted before the end of the consultation period and they should address the four licensing objectives in relation to the licensing activity.

The licensing objectives are the prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm.

Please be aware that where representations are considered relevant copies of the representation will be provided to the applicant and the Licensing Sub Committee.

Please note: Objections will only be considered where a name and address are supplied.

Name: TERENCE JACKSON Address: 9 SHORESIDE

BERNICK - ON - TWEED Licensing Objective: AS LETTER PROVIDED

Premises: PLOUGH ON THE HILL

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Yours sincerely

Objections to Premises License Application - 20200504 The Plough Inn

Our community and residents have individually lodged their objections to the above-listed application. Those residents who lodged their objections on-line received an email response from David Grenfell, Licensing Officer (dated Friday 22 May 2020) asking we would be minded to consider and agree proposed amendments to the application, detailed below:

1. Reduce the terminal hour for the marquee to midnight.
2. Reduce the terminal hour for the pub to midnight Sunday to Thursday.
3. Reduce the terminal hour for all live music to 2300.
4. To adopt a dispersal policy for functions, which will include parking marshalls (and to that end, additional car parking is being constructed on-site).
5. To adopt an event management plan (a draft of which has already been provided to EHO).
6. To adopt a condition that no external DJs would be permitted at the premises and that all music be amplified through our PA system, which would have a limiter. There is already a limiter for the system in the pub, but a similar device would be deployed in the marquee.

The residents entered into discussion to consider the above amendments and our collective response is as follows:

1. No marquee at all would be the preferred option.

Planning permission would be required to erect a marquee and for it to remain in situ for more than 28 days. Therefore, we would ask that only a Temporary Event Notice be applied for, for a Friday and Saturday, in order to erect a marquee for a given event and the terminal hour for the marquee be midnight.

We strongly object to a marquee being a permanent fixture as it would block the view from neighbouring homes immediately adjacent to The Plough Inn; cause driver distraction on the B6354 road which runs alongside The Plough Inn sat on a blind bend atop hill and near a four-way crossroads; be extremely difficult to limit or dampen down noise levels coming from a marquee, especially one sighted only 60m away from residential homes.

The licensee has not divulged to the residents and wider community the need for a permanent marquee or its use.

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2. Reduce the terminal hour for the pub to 2300 Monday to Saturday and to 2230 on a Sunday.

We cannot see the need for a rural Inn requiring to increase its licensing hours, and feel strongly that it would not be in the immediate community's interest to do so. Furthermore, the need to do so has not been divulged by the applicant to the neighbouring residents and wider community.

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Our objections to the license and outdoor and indoor music and events, is based on the very real threat to our human physiological and physical health and to the wildlife and livestock hereabouts. Noise pollution can bring about or worsen several health conditions such as high stress levels, cardiovascular disorders, hyperacusis in those living nearby who are on the autistic spectrum, sleep disturbance and diminishes one's quality of life.

Noise effects change in the balance to the environment which affects our livelihoods in the raising of animal stocks (cattle, pigs, horses, etc) and the well-being of our pets.

The Plough Inn sits atop a hill and there is almost always a wind in play. Noise carries on the wind making it louder and as the daytime noise levels abate, the noise from music and crowds in the evening will become increased, more concentrated and travel farther. The noise from revelry and certainly drunken revelry has been an issue in the past with pub customers getting into arguments after late night events with fighting breaking out, people being knocked flat and not getting back onto their feet, to the extent that the police and ambulance services have been involved, especially in the early hours, to dismantle groups of customers hanging around the vicinity once the pub has closed and tending to injuries sustained.

Bottles and glassware have been smashed and left outside neighbouring business and residential properties and in the road. Litter is also a factor as there does not seem to be sufficient receptacles (and lidded receptacles at that) on site for rubbish/litter and thus it too carries on the wind into our gardens and farming properties.

27-5-20

Signed

Date 27-5-20

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SHORESWOOD PARISH COUNCIL.

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20th May 2020

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: - The Plough on the Hill Allerdean, Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2TD

Shoreswood Parish Councillors would like to respond to the current licensing application which includes music to be played at the above premises 7 days a week between 10pm - 1am.

The Parish Council would like to respond under the following Licensing objective.

Prevention of public nuisance. This can relate to issues such as hours of operation, noise emanating from the premises, vibrations, lighting and litter

Shoreswood Parish Council consider that a music 7 days a week 10pm to 1pm music licence is inappropriate and excessive in a rural area. The proposed licence application will create traffic out of normal hours for the area, and that it will create noise, disturbance and vibration at a time when residents are used with, and can expect it to be quiet. That music until 1.00 pm should be an exception and not become the norm.

Yours sincerely

(Sgnd) Mrs E I Hunter
Clerk to Shoreswood Parish Council

ANCROFT PARISH COUNCIL.

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31st May 2020

Licensing Section
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Stakeford Department,
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Stakeford.
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Dear Sir/Madam

Ref: The Plough Inn Allerdean Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2TD

Ancroft Parish Council would like to support their residents of Allerdean and surrounding area and object to the current licensing application for the above property.

The Parish Council are responding under the following licensing objective:

Prevention of public nuisance: This can relate to issues such as hours of operation, noise emanating from the premises, vibrations, lighting & litter.

Ancroft Parish Council consider the possibility of outdoor music 7 days a week from 10pm to 1am is inappropriate and excessive for a rural area. Also, due to the location involved there will be an increase in traffic which in turn will create noise, disturbance and vibration at a normally quiet time of day, this will have an impact on the quality of life for the residents of Allerdean and surrounding area. Therefore, outdoor music up to 1am should be an exception and not become the norm.

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