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Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to express some concerns regarding the licensing application for the above event.

Specifically, with regard to the opening hours and alcohol and music licensing, both of which I believe have potential implications for increasing nuisance, crime and disorder in the local area.

If this is a family oriented festive event, there is absolutely no need for it to be open until 10.30-11pm. That, combined with the music and alcohol license, is very likely to attract large groups of drunk adult revellers which will cause mess and disturbance to local residents when they leave each night. If the opening hours were limited to, say, 7pm on a weekday and 9pm on a weekend that would be much reduced.

In addition, I would request that the council consider the implication of residents living with the sound of amplified music for up to 12 hours a day for an entire month. How could that not constitute nuisance? Many people locally work from home, or are otherwise in all day and have no means of getting away from noise. If the event goes ahead, please consider strict limits on the volume allowed - ie, it should not be audible beyond the boundary of the park.

Our green spaces are precious and many who live near them do so because they need peace and quiet to maintain their own mental balance. I appreciate that money is tight and the income generated by leasing the park is significant, but there is a balance - a limited number of such events each year, with time off in between. A month long session of amplified music and drinking is absolutely not a good balance!

yours faithfully
Kate Rose

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