

## Appendix 15

**Alexandria Farrell**

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**From:** Claire Bold  
**Sent:** 24 July 2014 12:17  
**To:** 'Helen Lashbrook'  
**Cc:** Licensing  
**Subject:** RE: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on [www.cherwell.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk)

Good Afternoon Helen,

The number stated is what the organisers have requested, and if the licence is granted, they will not be able to exceed the number. However, if they feel that a larger number would be more suited in later years then they would be able to vary the licence to request this (which would involve a full consultation process again).

Kind regards,

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**From:** Helen Lashbrook [<mailto:HL@avonr.demon.co.uk>]  
**Sent:** 24 July 2014 10:06  
**To:** Claire Bold  
**Subject:** Re: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on [www.cherwell.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk)

Dear Claire

I am surprised that the organisers are only expecting 2,000 at this event over the whole weekend. it would seem rather a lot of trouble and expense to go to for such a small number, particularly in view of the safeguards they claim that they will have in place; sound engineers and monitors, security, road marshals, shuttle buses etc...

I can only assume that either the numbers expected have been understated

Regards

Helen Lashbrook

**From:** [Claire Bold](mailto:claire.bold@cherwell-dc.gov.uk)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 23, 2014 6:34 PM  
**To:** [Helen Lashbrook](mailto:HL@avonr.demon.co.uk)  
**Cc:** [Licensing](mailto:licensing@cherwell-dc.gov.uk) ; [Rob Lowther](mailto:rob.lowther@cherwell-dc.gov.uk)  
**Subject:** RE: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on [www.cherwell.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk)

Good Afternoon,

Further to my previous email, I have received a response from the applicant, which I have detailed below:

24/07/2014

Hi Clare,

Thank you for the email and the chance to answer these concerns

We have met with Chesterton Parish Council who also had initial concerns similar to these

We have laid on a mini bus service to and from Bicester North Railway station to reduce the needs for people to arrive by car

We have planned a route map to bypass Chesteron and will place 'No access to Festival Traffic at the access to Chesterton and will also have advanced warning signs posted to alert drivers 48 hours in advance, this is being organised by the AA and they will liaise with Highways regarding this

Regarding Noise, this is an absolutely important issue in our planning;

- We have professional sound engineers who will adhere to the decibel levels that Rob Lowther will set before the event
- We will constantly monitor sound levels around the Chesterton area to ensure noise pollution will not be an issue
- All amplified music will be switched off at 11 PM exactly on Friday and Saturday and at 10 PM on Sunday
- This is a family event and thus we will run it as such
- It will be a professionally run event with our neighbours in mind
- We will have Marshals placed on the road approaches from both ends as an additional reminder for traffic
- We don't foresee huge crowds coming to this event and thus traffic flows should not be affected
- We will post the route maps on our website and social pages a week before the event and keep reminders going out to avoid Chesterton
- Our mini bus service and the local taxi firm will be picking people up from site and taking people away
- We have a professional security company on site to deal with any possible drunken behavior
- Our aim is hold a family event and hope to do so on an annual basis, for us to do that we will ensure our neighbours will not be disturbed
- A direct phone number will be placed in Chesterton, on the local notice boards that anyone can call if they feel the music is to high as well as on the website

Please advise the objector this is a family event, supporting local musicians and businesses and we really don't expect more than 2,000 over the whole weekend which will, in our opinion, will not cause any excess traffic

The applicant has also stated that they are happy to meet with you and discuss your concerns in person, if you wish to do so.

Please can you take a look at the response and see if it alleviates your concerns or whether you have any further questions that you wish to put to the applicant.

Kind regards,

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**Sent:** 23 July 2014 13:07  
**To:** Claire Bold  
**Subject:** Re: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on www.cherwell.gov.uk

Dear Ms Bold

Thank you to your reply to my objection to the Homegrown Music Festival for 15-17 August 2014

- I cannot comment on the possibility of crime and disorder that the festival might promote in the village and its environs; I believe that to be the responsibility of those with the task of policing the area
- The festival is very likely to cause a public nuisance as the noise is to be ongoing for three days. Those of us without the wherewithal to flee for the duration are going to be subjected to noise that we do not wish to hear, possibly at decibels that detract from the enjoyment of our own entertainment, as often happens when alcohol is involved. I have frequently noticed the increase in volume in music from events, where alcohol is consumed, once the participants start to get intoxicated
- There is also the public nuisance involved in the access to the event being accessible only from the road that leads out of the village, which will cause blockages on that road, with the very likely possibility of backup of traffic into the village
- As to public safety again I am not qualified to comment whether public safety is likely to be negatively affected, but the likely blockage of one of the village's arterial routes could lead to problems with emergency vehicles.
- I cannot believe that a music festival would harm children, with the exception of keeping them awake at night

I trust this is sufficient for your purposes

Regards

Helen Lashbrook

**From:** Claire Bold  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 23, 2014 11:05 AM  
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**Cc:** Geni Devonish ; Alexandria Farrell  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on www.cherwell.gov.uk

Good Morning,

Thank you for confirming that you wish to object to the application for Homegrown Music Festival for 15-17 August 2014.

The Licensing Act 2003 permits comments to be made upon applications that relate to the four licensing objectives set out in the Act. These are:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of public safety
- the protection of children from harm

Comments need to reflect how the licensable activities requested in the application, may have an adverse effect upon the licensing objectives for them to be considered. In addition, it is also a requirement that comments must also not be deemed to be frivolous, vexatious or repetitious.

24/07/2014

Whilst I do not perceive your comments to be frivolous, vexatious or repetitious, I need to be sure that they link in to the Licensing Objectives to ensure that they are relevant.

Would it be possible for you to expand on your thoughts behind your comments, with regard to the licensing objectives and the licensable activities sought (namely live and recorded music, alcohol sales and late night refreshment)?

I am more than happy to call you and discuss the matter in person should you wish to forward a contact telephone number.

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**Sent:** 22 July 2014 19:03  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Re: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on [www.cherwell.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk)

Dear Geni

That is what I am objecting to

Regards

Helen Lashbrook

**From:** [Licensing](#)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 22, 2014 5:27 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Contact Form submission from article Licence - temporary event notice on [www.cherwell.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk)

Hello,  
Thank you for your enquiry.

Please could you clarify which event you wish to object to?  
We do not have an application for any TEN for that area.

Please could you confirm - Are you referring to the 'Licensed Premise Application' that we have under consultation at the moment, by HOMEGROWN MUSIC FESTIVAL?

Many thanks,  
Geni

Geni Devonish  
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**Sent:** 22 July 2014 15:37

**To:** Licensing

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### Contact Form Submission

**Article**      [Licence - temporary event notice \(4683\)](#)

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**Comments:**   I wish to object to a temporary event licence being given for a three day music festival in a field to the west of Chesterton in the middle of August. The event would create traffic chaos in the village and making access to the Weston-on-the-Green to Ardley road virtually impossible. It will also cause a significant amount of noise pollution, bringing general chaos to the small village of Chesterton

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