

Resident Representation

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Caerphilly County Borough Council
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Attn: Licensing Dept.

Dear Sir,

Re: Mr & Mrs Hobbs, Ty Cae Brith Farm, Mountain Road, Mynyddislwyn, NP117BB

I wish to object to the new premises licence ie The Lodge at the above premises for the following reasons:-

The access to this venue is via single file lanes which are inadequate for the amount of traffic this venue will generate.

The rural road network cannot safely absorb the predicted increase in traffic thereby leading onto the subject of highway safety.

Highway safety-Will be compromised by the volume of traffic and could also encourage a drink drive culture that these licensing hours will generate.

You will see a variety of people using these rural lanes on a daily basis throughout the year, for a range of daily activities such as dog walkers, ramblers, families going for a walk with young children and/or in pushchairs as well as the numerous horse-riders in the area.

This venue will also have an impact on the funerals and weddings which are held at the nearby St Tudor's Church, Mynyddislwyn on a regular basis, which generates yet more traffic on these rural lanes. Plus you have people coming to the cemetery paying their respects to their loved ones 365 days per year which again generates more traffic.

I am situated at the bottom of the lane leading up to this venue and on numerous occasions I have had near misses whilst trying to pull onto the main lane from my property as vehicles come speeding around the bends and are on top of you before you know it.

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Public Safety - I am very concerned for public safety on these rural lanes and its only by good fortune there have not been serious incidents involving vehicles and the public, including horse-riders - there have been plenty of near misses.

Noise Nuisance - To grant the licence would only serve to prolong any noise from this venue and when the wind is blowing in a certain direction more of the residents will be encountering this problem. Plus there is livestock on the adjoining farms to this venue to be considered.

Just so as you are aware none of the residents/community or their adjoining neighbours knew about this business/venue.

It would have been nice for the close neighbours and other residents to have been consulted on this development as they are the ones who are likely to be affected in their day to day farming businesses.

Policies for diversification or rural economy should be realistic and with a clear understanding of local needs.

So to grant the licence would **not** be beneficial to the well-being of any of the residents on Mynyddislwyn.

Yours faithfully



Mrs P.K. Presley