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**Sent:**  
**To:**  
**Cc:** Community Protection  
**Subject:** [External] Re: Premise Licence Application - Ref - 19/2389/PL [OFFICIAL]  
**Attachments:** Proposed conditions for Pepper Hill Farm.docx; Wannasee Ltd - Rep - 02 - 2020.docx  
**Importance:** High

Good Afternoon ,

Further to our recent telephone conversation, as discussed, please find attached a list of proposed Conditions, (Appendix B), albeit incomplete, due to lack of up to date information. Also attached is the representation (Appendix A) re the above application.

Many thanks, kind regards,

*Licensing Officer  
East Herts Community Safety Unit*

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The governing principles of the Licensing Act are the four Licensing Objectives. All organisations and individuals involved in the running of Licensed Premises, must do so with a view to promoting these Objectives. At present Hertfordshire Constabulary is not of the opinion that this application is promoting these Objectives.

This representation is made by Hertfordshire Constabulary in relation to the Premises Licence Application by Wannasee Ltd for two events per annum:

- One weekend (Friday to Monday) in the month of May.
- One weekend (Friday to Monday) in the month of August.

These events are due to be held at Hillside Farm, Pepper Hill, Great Amwell, SG12 9RZ. Although an event management plan is not a necessity to consider prior to the application or granting of a license, a satisfactory draft event management plan should be expected in order to satisfy the responsible authorities that the event can be run safely and effectively.

The lack of a draft event management plan or any up to date information therefore fails to satisfy the Constabulary that the licence holder will be able to run the event with minimal impact on the environment and community, in accordance with the licensing objectives

The constabulary has made reasonable effort to reach out to the applicant since the submission of the application to confirm the required information and agree conditions. The Applicant has confirmed that there will be no relevant information available prior to the end of the Consultation period for the Responsible Authorities to consider.

This representation is split into two areas of concern –

- 1. Concerns with regard to the lack of an EMP.**
- 2. Consideration and agreement to necessary licence conditions.**

### **Concerns with regards to the information within EMP and missing information**

- 1. During the consultation period no Event Management Plan (EMP) has been received.**

## **Consideration and agreement to necessary licence conditions.**

The Applicant has been supplied with a copy of the licensing Conditions. These Conditions are incomplete, as no Event Management Plan has been received. There is therefore insufficient information for these to be drawn up in full, for consideration by the Applicant.

Additionally, at the date of writing, EHDC have confirmed that no Safety Advisory Group (SAG) notification has been received.

Due to a lack of sufficient planning and information supplied along with any clear process in place to ensure Public Safety, the Prevention of any Crime and Disorder, the Protection of Children from Harm and the Prevention of Public Nuisance, Hertfordshire Constabulary's submission is that this application for a premises license for the event known as Stone Valley South is rejected.

Should the Committee be minded to grant the application then Hertfordshire Police would request certain conditions are attached to the Licence. A list of conditions is attached to this submission, **Appendix B.**

Report completed by \_\_\_\_\_, Licensing Officer, East Herts Community Safety Unit.

**EAST HERTS LICENSING AUTHORITY**  
**Licensing Act 2003**

**REPRESENTATION FORM FROM RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES**

**Responsible Authority** (please delete as applicable):

Police / Fire / Environmental Protection / Health and Safety / Child Protection / Weights and Measures / Planning Authority

<b>Your Name</b>	
<b>Job Title</b>	Senior Environmental Health Officer
<b>Postal and email address</b>	@eastherts.gov.uk
<b>Contact telephone number</b>	

<b>Name of the premises you are making a representation about</b>	Stone Valley
<b>Address of the premises you are making a representation about</b>	Hillside Farm, Great Amwell

<b>Which of the four licensing Objectives does your representation relate to?</b>	Yes Or No	<b>Please detail the evidence supporting your representation. Or the reason for your representation. Please use separate sheets if necessary</b>
<b>To prevent crime and disorder</b>	No	
<b>Public safety</b>	No	
<b>To prevent public nuisance</b>	Yes	Environmental health have concerns that noise from the event could lead to noise disturbance, this is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lack of a noise management plan indicating any proposed noise levels, noise mitigation, control measures or monitoring</li> <li>- Music noise levels being excessive at nearby residences especially in certain frequency bands</li> </ul>
<b>To protect children from harm</b>	No	

<b>Suggested conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub Committee to take into account. Please use separate sheets where necessary and refer to checklist.</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Noise levels to be limited to 65dB LAeq(15min) not less than 1m from the façade of any noise sensitive dwellings, with 70dB LAeq(15min) in the 63Hz and 125Hz octave bands</li> <li>2) A detailed noise management plan with measures agreed by the local authority no less than 3 weeks prior to the event taking place. The plan must include as a minimum; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Detailed site layout plan</li> <li>- Event schedule, including timings and details of the music eg. Live / recorded</li> <li>- Identify and risk rate all the noise sources</li> <li>- Identification of receptors</li> <li>- Prediction of sound levels at relevant locations on and off site</li> <li>- Noise monitoring strategy</li> <li>- Communication strategy</li> <li>- Complaints response procedure</li> <li>- Accountability management plan including contact details</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
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	<p>3) That the noise monitoring carried out at the event along with any complaint logs etc are provided to the council no later than 14days following to close of the event in the form of a post event noise monitoring report. The report should outline the level of compliance with the agreed noise levels, detailed monitoring logs including times, locations and levels as well as any complaints and subsequent alterations to the noise levels.</p>

Signed:

Date: 18/02/20

Please return this form along with any additional sheets to:East Herts Licensing Authority, Wallfields, Pegs Lane, Hertford, Herts SG13 8EQ or email to

**This form must be returned within the Statutory Period. For more details please check with the Community Protection Section Unit on 01279 655261**

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 19 January 2020 20:01  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Comments for Licensing Application 19/2389/PL

Mr

You have been sent this email because you or somebody else has submitted a comment on a Licensing Application to your local authority using your email address. A summary of your comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:00 PM on 19 Jan 2020 from .

## Application Summary

**Address:** Hillside Farm Hillside Lane Great Amwell Ware  
Hertfordshire SG12 9SH

**Proposal:** Premises Licence (Licensing Act 2003)

**Case Officer:** r

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:** St John's Lane Great Amwell

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Member of the Public

**Stance:** Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

**Comments:** 8:00 PM on 19 Jan 2020 I would like to request that a condition be applied (if that is possible) that there is no access to the site for these events from Hillside Lane, Great Amwell. This is a private road, albeit with a public footpath past the site.

With the numbers attending and the need to install and remove the stages and related facilities this would cause considerable disruption if Hillside Lane were used; it has no footways and would be unsafe with additional traffic. For the same reason it would not be sensible or safe for large numbers of event visitors to access the site from Hillside Lane.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 25 January 2020 13:51  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Comments for Licensing Application 19/2389/PL

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 1:50 PM on 25 Jan 2020 from

## Application Summary

**Address:** Hillside Farm Hillside Lane Great Amwell Ware  
Hertfordshire SG12 9SH

**Proposal:** Premises Licence (Licensing Act 2003)

**Case Officer:** Brad Wheeler

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address** Hillside Lane, Great Amwell, Ware

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

**Comments:** 1:50 PM on 25 Jan 2020 Wannasee's address is not Hillside Lane. It is 44 Village Gate Howden-Le-Wear, Crook DL 15 EF  
Hillside Lane is a narrow Private Lane along the Hillside Farm east boarder, which is owned by  
, who have put up good fencing to protect the walking school children.  
It is used for those who have a right away which we allowed to Hillside Farm because they wanted it for their horses to enter for their stables? Now the owner of Hillside farm has removed Hedgerow on Hillside lane without permission to make his entrance larger. This Lane is not a through lane and has never been for anything but 3 private homes, farming and Village foot traffic beyond Rosehill entrance.  
We request that Hillside Lane on grounds of Public Safety and Public Nuisance cannot be uses by or for this Festival in anyway.  
please let us know, if you would like photos and if there is a hearing on this application and if so the date of the hearing.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 18 February 2020 11:06  
**To:**  
**Subject:** [External] Licence Application 19/2389/PL by Wannasee Ltd at Hillside Farm Great Amwell

Good Morning

Further to our recent telephone conversation that the on-line system for comments was not working I am submitting my objection by E.Mail.

My Name is \_\_\_\_\_ of Scott Avenue Stanstead Abbots SG12 and a neighbour of the site.

I wish to object to the grant of a premises licence to Wannasee Ltd to hold two 3 day music festivals on Bank Holiday weekends in May and August this year and potentially as permanent fixtures.

My objection is based on preventing Public Nuisance due to the noise emanating from the event.

I have lived next to the site for over 30 years and the general ambient noise level is very low. The car boot sales on the Sundays already cause some extra noise but usually of short duration.

During last years event I had to leave my house for long periods because that was the only way to avoid the noise from the music. Indoors with all windows closed I could still hear the music above the sound of my television at times. I certainly could not sit in my garden. There were definite peaks in sound levels during the acts, whilst I could have phoned the hotline I felt that the response would be that the sound is within the agreed limits which it is possible to state when using average levels.

I have spoken to others living in the vicinity who felt similarly affected but had hoped it was a one off event.

I believe the intention is for the events to be on a larger scale than the one held last year so there will no base line comparison available.

When you consider the site; it is quite unsuitable for this type of event.

It is in an elevated position with no natural landforms on most sides that can provide attenuation of the noise. It is also quite close to houses on two sides. The only barrier between the site and the nearest houses is a relatively thin hedge with many gaps which offers little attenuation of the sound.

The variable weather conditions that can be experienced at the site, especially wind direction means that efforts to minimise noise disturbance to local residents have no guarantee of being successful. Last year the wind direction continuously changed over the course of the festival. I took the opportunity to speak to the person monitoring the sound when returning from one of my forced absences, and he admitted the weather was problematic and that areas towards Hoddesdon were probably being affected more than the area he was monitoring at the time.

Wind directions listed below were experienced during the dates of last years festival. Confirmation of these wind directions in greater detail can be found on the historic weather readings for Stansted.

Friday 24 - N in the morning to W in the afternoon and back to NW in the evening.

Saturday 25- W in the morning to NW in the afternoon and to SW in the evening.

Sunday 26 - SW in the morning to W in the afternoon to NW in the evening.

In the absence of a rotating stage you cannot guarantee an optimal location to suit changing conditions.



As the application is now to cover 2 festivals I understand that for music events that occur for 6 days guidelines suggest the maximum noise level at the sensitive points should be based at no more than 15db above the ambient background noise. With the variations in the weather that can be experienced this can give a false starting point depending on when the initial readings are taken, i.e. Stansted final approach flight paths can overfly the area when the wind is in certain directions.

You need to consider the planning aspect of the site. It currently has permission to hold car boot sales on 28 days of the year. Last year the full

28 car boot sales still took place in addition to the music festival. The number of days that the music festival was held, and the set up and take down was 9 days. As the car boot sales are due to resume in March 2020 the 28 day usage could be exceeded before the proposed August festival.

East Herts planning were advised on 16 May 2019 that this could happen and asked to take appropriate action to ensure such a breach did not occur but it appears they took no action.

I know that East Herts Licensing statement does not contain specific guidance on Music Festivals but hope the constraints of the site and type of event are recognised and the application is declined.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 25 January 2020 16:53  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Comments for Licensing Application 19/2389/PL

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 4:52 PM on 25 Jan 2020 from

## Application Summary

**Address:** Hillside Farm Hillside Lane Great Amwell Ware  
Hertfordshire SG12 9SH

**Proposal:** Premises Licence (Licensing Act 2003)

**Case Officer:**

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:** the bungalow hillside lane great amwell

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

**Comments:** 4:52 PM on 25 Jan 2020 Can I ask why a "FARM" needs a drinks licence, this is not a pub or night club, so surely not required for offices as per planning, farm animals, or a car boot sale for which the field gets used?  
I object to having this beside my home, if I had wanted to live next door to licence premises, i would live in a town and not the country side!

## Brad Wheeler

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**From:** publicaccess@eastherts.gov.uk  
**Sent:** 25 January 2020 23:46  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Comments for Licensing Application 19/2389/PL

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:46 PM on 25 Jan 2020 from

### Application Summary

**Address:** Hillside Farm Hillside Lane Great Amwell Ware  
Hertfordshire SG12 9SH

**Proposal:** Premises Licence (Licensing Act 2003)

**Case Officer:**

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### Customer Details

**Name:** .

**Email:**

**Address:** HILLSIDE LANE GREAT AMWELL, WARE

### Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

**Comments:** 11:46 PM on 25 Jan 2020 Dear Chairman & Councillors of East Herts Council, Members & Councillors of our community who we have elected to not abandon and desert us when threatened by a Pop Festival. Shame on those who have moved close to us and have owned the land for a short time & now promote this disturbance to a quiet, peaceful & happy rural community. We already suffer over crowded traffic on Pepper Hill and the road to Stanstead Abbots. Our beautiful birds take fright and are driven from home. My wife & I own the majority of the Freehold of Hillside Lane the which Borders the site under discussion. We have granted rights of way to St John's School, The Parish Hall & local Residents. We just wish to continue the peaceful & happy life we enjoy in the beauty spot of Great Amwell. It is not conducive to a Pop Festival. We ask our friends who work hard for our Community to maintain our peace & happiness. Always available for a discussion.

Thank you.