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Sent: 06 August 2018 16:23
To: Licensing
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Subject: Hush Heath Winery, Staplehurst, Tonbridge, Kent

Dear Sir,

We are writing to express our concern over Mr Balfour-Lynn's application to play music both inside and outside of the winery. It seems as if he wants carte blanche to be able to play music any day of the week for almost 12 hours a day with little regard for his neighbours. The application states it is a remote area, but there are at least 10 properties within 1/2 a mile radius. Mr Balfour-Lynn states that the winery has "family values" what about the families that live close by? Are we not going to be entitled to use our outside space any day of the year without the sound of music. We have lived here for 36 years and it will be a most unwelcome intrusion for us not to be able to continue to use our garden in this hitherto quiet, beautiful and unspoilt environment. While we appreciate that there has been considerable investment in the winery it cannot surely be fair that one individual is given precedence over many families. Cannot it not be that events are limited to perhaps six or seven a year with a special licence required for music after 10.00pm. The noise from the recent building works has been disruptive with builders having radios playing, we assume just ordinary radios and not plugged into PA systems, this has been clearly audible by us in the garden. We have not complained because we thought once the work was completed it would end. The topography of the area is like a bowl and noise reverberates around, even voices carry. We have all experienced saying our goodbyes after parties and it is usually quite loud. There are many species of wildlife here, some of these are quite rare and exposure to continual noise could be disastrous especially after nightfall.

Yours faithfully

Kim and Sally Humphrey

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