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## 1. Statement

**UPHILL FARM - PRIMARY CONCERNS** 

The primary concerns in granting late licences for both consumption of alcohol and entertainment are as follows.

- 1. The noise level of both music and voices either spoken or singing of groups of people up to 120 in number after 10.00pm.
- 2. The driving of cars, taxis, mini coaches after midnight to and from the venue over the cattlegrid outside our house at the end of the event.
- 3. The walking of groups of people up the lane after midnight to get to a larger coach or bus that would have to park at the top of the lane above our house.

Generally, whilst we would rather not have any events we accept the applicants have been granted conditional planning approval subject to meeting the planning conditions. Previous history of events would indicate this is going to be very difficult to achieve. We attach a video from last summer.

We feel that finishing at 10.00pm is a much more reasonable time as the venue is in a very tranquil area within the Tamar Valley AONB and on the fringe of Dartmoor National Park.

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 an event was held at Uphill Farm. There was very loud music, shouting and singing from the venue which could be heard across the valley and at neighbouring residences including our own. A nearby neighbour complained to the applicant via text message and did not receive a response. The noise management conditions state that the applicant has to be responsible for all complaints received and, in our opinion, not replying to a noise complaint is not a responsible way to handle this condition. The applicant was told at the recent planning committee meeting that they would have to adhere to noise restrictions at all future events, and the events of this past Saturday prove they have failed to do so.

As nearby residents we are at a loss at what to do regarding this issue. The applicant has not to date complied with the noise conditions set within their planning. We feel that should an alcohol and entertainment license be granted this issue will only intensify and cause more damage to nearby residents. Time restrictions are essential.

Below are a few examples of nearby events venues which host events both outdoors and indoors within structural buildings which have noise restrictions imposed. It is important to once again note that Uphill Farm events are all held outdoors within a marquee which has no

entertainment license due to the nature of the venue and surrounding area.
Examples:
Pickwell Manor Devon:
(Taken from their website)
Any amplified music in outside licensed areas will be of a background level only and shall finish by 2000 hrs. This will be in accordance with the environmental health definition of background music which is "music whose main function is to create an atmosphere rather than be listened to. Background music shall always be played at a level that would allow conversation between persons in the same room or near to the music source without the need for voices to be raised"
The amplification of wedding speeches during the ceremony or reception in outside licensed areas shall finish by 2000 hrs and shall also be at a level that would allow conversation between persons at the edge of the licensable area without the need for voices to be raised.
A noise limiter shall be used to ensure that the levels of amplified music are kept within standards given by Environmental Health.
Sandy Cove Hotel:
(Taken from their website)
Can the bi fold doors stay open all day?
The bi fold doors can stay open until 10pm after this time they will be closed but you will be able to still go outside. The Venue is fully air conditioned.
Can we have a band or DJ?
Yes, you can, they must be inside and the bi fold doors will be shut at 10pm.
Polhawn Fort:
(Taken from their website)
Can we have a band or music out on the lawns?

 $noise\ insultation\ and\ therefore\ it\ doesn't\ seem\ reasonable\ that\ Uphill\ Farm\ is\ applying\ for\ a\ full$ 

That depends: you are welcome to hire in one or more acoustic only musicians to play outside for during your ceremony and your reception. A harpist, violinist, acoustic guitarist or similar can be a beautiful addition to your ceremony or reception.

You can have amplified music during the ceremony, but this has to be volume limited by ourselves. Music at any other time whatsoever cannot be amplified: this includes sound systems of any sort, microphones, drums, and brass instruments. This is due to the beautiful tranquil environment in which the Fort is set, and our Licensing conditions.



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## **SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS**

These are the key points I rely on to support my representation:

Application New Premises Licence

By: Mr Christopher Hayes and Mrs Charlotte Hayes

of: Uphill Farm, Yelverton, PL20 6DF

Name of premises: Uphill Farm Walled Garden and Barn, Uphill Farm, Yelverton, PL20 6DF

Key Points			
Which of the four licensing objectives does your application, representation or objection relate	(1)	Please enter a summary of your key points in the table below. Please use an additional page if necessary	
Prevention of crime & disorder			
Public safety			
Prevention of public nuisance	V	1. NOISE MUSIL & LOTS OF VOICES SINGING AFTER 10-00pm  2. VECNILOS ON CANE GOING OVOR CATTLE GAID AFTER MIDNISHT	
Protection of children from harm			
Your Signature:		Your address:	
Name:			