



The Licensing Manager,
Newark & Sherwood D C
Castle House,
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Newark, NG24 1BY

6th March 2026

Dear Sir/Madam

Re – Walesby Forest Ltd, Full Variation to a Premises Licence.

I refer to the above application by Walesby Forest Ltd to alter their existing Premises Licence. I have lived in Walesby for 15 years and would say the properties on Brake Road are likely to be the nearest to the site (we can see the entertainment stage used from our property). When the site was operated as a 'scout camp' there were few problems, even with international scout jamborees the traffic and noise were within normal parameters. In recent years the change from a charitable to a commercial enterprise has resulted in us having to deal with more nuisance issues.

The events that they currently run result in excessive noise, affecting both our quality of life and mental health. On several occasions we have contacted Environmental Health due to noise and events over-running and a noise monitor was set up. After that we were given a telephone contact at Walesby Forest to contact direct, that did not cause any reduction of noise, but ensured the events ran to time.

Another problem we currently see during events is traffic. We are directly affected by any traffic schemes they set up to allow cars and caravans onto their site. We have to allow time for us to follow whatever one way system they instigate and if we have been away in our own caravan it can cause a significant nuisance. We have also found that drivers attending any of the events are single minded, if on the way to any event they are desperate to arrive, to such an extent they give way to nothing and nobody! Then on their exit they only have home on their minds – we have no chance of joining the queue, if there is one, or crossing over the road if there isn't.

Pedestrians also pass our home on their way to and from any event, this can be noisy and affect our quality of life. At the moment this only happens after the events close at 11.pm, this would become a far more serious problem if it was after 2am.

I therefore object strongly to the application to extend the Premises Licence, both extending the hours to 2am and to doubling the people attending, from 5,000 to 10,000. Both these ideas would worsen our experiences of events that Walesby Forest Ltd run.

Although doubling attendees would make sense to them, it seems like a nightmare to us, and why would Girl Guides and Scouts need events to run until 2am?

Yours sincerely,

