

FAO, Michael White, Licensing Manager.

Dear Mr White,

I would like to make some comments about the above Fishery application for selling alcohol and the provision of live music at Keepers Lodge.

The services offered by Woodington Fishery at present do not cause me any disturbance and indeed I feel the business is a good asset to the area.

BUT I have concerns about what is being proposed.

1. The site lies within an unspoiled rural area and AONB which at present enjoys tranquillity and calm. Consumption of alcohol leads to jollity and an inability of people to control the volume of their voices. Any motivation to moderate noise levels will be low, especially if the drinkers think that they are far away from other people. This, however, does not take into account that noise travels widely in open spaces and carries on the wind. The Keepers Lodge is located near to several outlying residences and one village, the inhabitants of which will inevitably hear any noise, be this from voices, live or amplified music, or extra vehicle traffic. This is a public nuisance.

The proposal to not only serve alcohol with a meal, but also at a bar opening into the wee small hours of the morning, will inevitably lead to noise at unsociable times and will disturb local wildlife. Serving alcohol late would also require more lighting and light pollution in the area. I have a major concern of noise of traffic leaving at late hours.

#### Prevention of Disorder

Members of the public without a booking can be expected to visit the site on a Friday or Saturday evening in the summer to purchase drinks and to enjoy the music. If they are refused service it is likely that arguments will occur which may put staff and guests at risk. Site would need to be controlled. I am assuming the alcohol license and music is for booked guests only.

I live very close to Woodington Fishery and I would expect businesses to respect local residents and listen to our concerns and we in return would support and respect them.

I ask that this application be refused.

Yours sincerely,  
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