

Re: Full planning application for 70 riding lessons per month to visiting members of the public.

My family and I have carried out an equine business at Charlesworth Stud for almost forty years, and my daughter Carol has carried out riding lessons on the site without complaint for over 30 years and is now inundated with requests for lessons beyond the 12 that at present are insufficient to sustain a viable business. There are, however, no legal restraints on the number of livery customers who mostly visit the site twice daily, or the number of lessons they receive. Bearing in mind that the 70 lessons per month equate, on average, to less than 3 lessons per day, I propose to address any increased vehicular activity generated by these lessons by permanently reducing the maximum number of livery customers from 15 to 12.

It must also be borne in mind that some customers visit by bicycle and on foot, and other factors such as weather, fitness of the horses or ponies and rest days will likely render the number of lessons to be far less than those proposed.

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