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Application Reference No. : HPK/2023/0370 Site Address: Dove Holes Cricket Club Hallsteads Dove Holes Derbyshire
SK17 8BT BUXTON Comments by: L Sowerby
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Submission: Objection
Comments: I object to the retrospective application.

A marquee is not suitable for use as a live/recorded music, amplified speech entertainment venue as the structure fabric does not sufficiently limit the passage of sound to external areas. As shown on the site plans, this is a residential area with neighbouring properties adversely affected by the noise during such events.

Proposals for development (inc. retrospective) should identify and address potential nuisance issues arising from the nature of the proposal. As mentioned above, the impact on neighbour amenity is significant - noise disturbance; negatively impacting sleep/relaxation/well-being.

The environmental officer has made valid informed comments and provided measurements to further evidence the impact. ¿Measurements taken opposite the site; outside residential properties, indicate noise levels of 64dB during live performances. This represents a significant loss of amenity. Marquees offer little sound attenuation and are not suitable for live, or amplified music, on a frequent basis, in evenings.¿

I also note that the application, design and access statement and site plans do not provide sufficient information in relation to planning and building regulations (Noise Act 1996, Environmental protection Act 2003), nor reference the current licence conditions as issued in June 2017 by HPBC.

There is no disputing that the events are a welcome income stream for the club, however this does not nor should not negate the need to adhere to policy. By their own admission, the marquee was a resolution during covid restrictions to adhere with social distancing guidelines. A marquee is by its own description - a temporary structure.

For the events and needs of the club outlined in the design and access statement, I would argue that a permanent building extension to the current Pavilion would be more suitable.

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