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Re: Objection to Planning Application HPK/2025/0117

Proposed Extension of Floodlight and Social Club Hours at Silverlands Stadium

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing as a resident of 1 Mill Cliff, which is directly opposite to Silverlands Stadium, to formally object to the recent planning application seeking to extend the permitted use of floodlights until 11:00pm and the operation of the social club until 1:00am.

The proposed extension would have a significant and detrimental impact on the quality of life for nearby residents. I firmly believe the application itself is not reflective of the residential nature of the area, and the current operating hours already push the limits of reasonable disturbance. Any extension would only exacerbate existing issues, such as post game fighting and the unacceptable noise of the drums when a game is on. My primary concerns are as follows:

1.
Noise Pollution: Late-night events and increased activity at the social club until 1:00am will inevitably result in more noise from patrons, traffic, and music, disrupting the peace of our street during hours that should be reserved for rest. The creation of a new stand would increase building traffic, construction noise and would constitute a genuine nuisance for the local residents.
2.
Light Pollution: Keeping floodlights on until 11:00pm will result in unacceptable levels of light pollution, particularly for those whose homes directly overlook the stadium. This would interfere with our ability to enjoy our homes in the evening.
3.
Impact on Children and Families: The extended hours are particularly concerning during the week, as many families with school-aged children live in close proximity. Noise and light disturbances on school nights would be unreasonable and cause real difficulty for local families.

4.

Antisocial Behaviour: There is a real concern that keeping the social club open until 1:00am will lead to an increase in antisocial behaviour in the area, including public drunkenness, shouting, littering, and other disturbances in the early hours of the morning. As a resident of 1 Mill Cliff, following matches or social events at the Stadium, we also regularly find people using our household bins to dispose of their litter. This includes tins of alcohol and food waste.

5.

Parking and Traffic Issues: Events held later into the evening will lead to increased on-street parking, congestion, and disturbances as attendees leave the area, often noisily and with little regard for local residents. There is already a parking issue for the residents of Mill Cliff, and this would undoubtedly make the situation worse.

6.

Precedent for Further Extensions: Granting this extension would set a precedent for future requests, which could gradually erode the residential character and amenity of our street.

I urge the council to consider the rights of the residents to a peaceful and quiet living environment. The proposed changes serve the interests of a small subset of stadium users at the expense of the broader local community.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that the planning application be refused.

Yours sincerely,

Joan Crook