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Staffordshire Moorlands District Council
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Planning Application for Extension of Licensed Area and Outside Bar at Hotel Rudyard

I am writing in connection with the recent Licensing Application made by Childerplay Ltd. at the Hotel Rudyard.

The notice states this application is for an extension to the Licensable area to include the outside areas and existing garden and include an outside bar area and servery.

As a local resident I oppose this application as it will only increase noise levels in the area. Whenever the Hotel Rudyard hold events with music during the warm months I normally have to ask the hotel to close their doors and windows as the music can be clearly heard within our house. On occasion I have had to ask on more than once in the same evening.

The presence of an outdoor bar area will only increase the amount of people moving in and out of the building raising the noise level each time a door is opened and increasing the risk of doors being left open.

I accept we purchase our house knowing the Hotel's business and should expect some noise. We have at own expense installed tertiary glazing in the front rooms, whilst this lowers noise disturbance to acceptable levels when events are contained within the hotel (no open doors and windows) it is inadequate once the noise being generated is transferred to the outdoor areas.

I do not believe this application is compatible with the Hotel's location in the middle of a residential street surrounded on three sides by housing.

I believe any authorisation of this application would be contrary to the Ministry of Communities, Housing and Local Government's guidance note on noise issued in March 2014.

Yours Faithfully

Angus Higgins