

The Licensing Department  
Swale Borough Council

Swale House

East Street

Sittingbourne

Kent ME10 3HT

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Iwade at the Barn Trust – 20 All Saints Close

I am writing in regard to the notice I have seen displayed outside of the Barn in All Saints Close referring to an application for licensable activities. I understand that this will include the sale of alcohol and the playing of both live and recorded music.

I would like my disapproval lodged in the most strongest of terms. As you can see I am a resident of All Saints Close and have lived here now for over 7 years. I bought my house purely because of the location, ie quiet, countryside location overlooking the church yard. This development had to work within very strict planning permissions in order for the developer to be able to build, ie keeping in touch with the locale. We have tiled roofs to match the church, wooden windows and hot air heat pumps in the gardens.

As I always understood it the barn was for local residents to use, once it had been restored and handed over to the Parish Council for such activities as the local scouts, meetings for residents and other such low key events. To find out now that a license is proposed with music is just preposterous.

The barn overlooks the graveyard so I find this idea very disrespectful and the noise effect this will have on the residents will be awful. The application says music could be played until 1 am on bank holidays and weekends and this I find intolerable. Both my husband and I work weekends and bank holidays so to have our sleep disrupted on a regular basis is unacceptable.

Iwade as a village has more than enough venues to hold such events. There is the Village Hall, the new Pavilion plus of course The Woolpack pub and just outside the village there is the Dancing Dog pub which also holds events. Why is this proposal for the barn necessary?

We also already have a parking issue in All Saints Close with people using the barn parking in our quiet road which again is unacceptable. We will have cars coming and going at all hours of the day and night and again this is not what we signed up for when we purchased our houses. We find ourselves very lucky to be living in such a nice part of the village and feel very strongly that this license, if it is agreed will have a detrimental impact on our lives.

Please consider this application very seriously and take all residents opinions and feelings into consideration. We rely on our Council to represent us.

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted] All Saints Close,  
Iwade

Sittingbourne Kent

Kent ME9 [Redacted]

Claire Attfield

10<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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Dear Sir/Madam

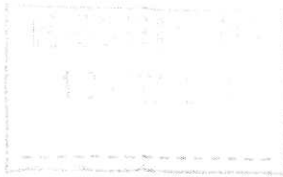
Re: Iwade at the Barn Trust – 20 All Saints Close

I am writing in regard to the notice I have seen displayed outside of the Barn in All Saints Close referring to an application for licensable activities. I understand that this will include the sale of alcohol and the playing of both live and recorded music.

I would like to lodge my concerns and make it quite clear that I am against this proposed license for both drink and live music. The notice says that live music could be played from Monday to Sunday from 8 am to mid-night and on bank holidays from 8 am to 1 am. The barn is a very small dwelling and so would have to have windows and doors open which will make the noise very loud for the residents. We live in very close proximity to the barn in a quiet close so having this level of noise for up to 14 hours a day is totally unacceptable. The barn has no sound proofing either so this will only make matters worse. Please note that these opening hours are longer than our local pub!!

I have no objection to the barn being used as it is being used currently ie meetings, coffee mornings, use of internet etc but I do not believe that we need another drinking/entertainment venue in the village as we already have a number.

If I did this in my back garden on a regular basis I am sure someone would be complaining. All Saints Close only houses 19 properties and overlooks the church yard and is a very pretty area to live in. Please don't allow this to be spoiled.



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Dean Attfield

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Dear sir / madam

I am writing with regard to the notice displayed outside of the barn in all Saints close referring to an application for licensed activities.

This application in our opinion would cause a great deal of noise and disruption to a quiet residence.

Surely this building is only suitable for the likes of girl guides Brownies scouts whist drives table top sales and WI meetings or council meetings.

Although there is a carpark attached to the building residents do experience people using the the barn parking in The Close causing people who live here distress. The building itself is in close proximity is to the Woolpack public house who also have events that can be noisy and comes with parking concerns.

The barn also backs onto a churchyard surely this is not acceptable.

The barn is not able to contain the noise that events of loud music and alcohol can produce. To my knowledge there is a lack of toilet facilities to the barn.

We do not feel that this is appropriate for this building or village.

Please consider this application very seriously and take into account how you would feel if you were living here.

You are our representatives and we vote for you to do a good job.





Swale Borough Council

RESIDENT.

Sir/Madam.

MR / MRS P. HARRISON

ALL SAINTS CLOSE / WADE.

ME9

I writing to object to the proposed  
licensing of the Wade barn

20 All Saints close Wade ME9 8FP.

The licensing of this building would  
allow drinking of Alcohol on the premises  
up to 1am some days, and as a resident  
I wish to protest, this would cause the  
following issues :-

- Anti Social Behaviour.
- car parking issues
- Loud noise / music.
- Drinking Alcohol outside the building
- Litter and Rubbish in and around the  
area. being disregarded.

RECEIVED

15 MAY 2011

**From:** Helen Usher [mailto: [REDACTED]@hotmail.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2018 21:47  
**To:** Planning Comments  
**Cc:** Neil Edwards  
**Subject:** Liscencing applications department Swale Borough Council  
To whom it may concern,

My partner and I are opposing the plans to expand The Barn Iwade establishment to include the sale of alcohol and late closing.

The Woolpack pub is a stones throw away and even this public house does not stay open until 1am.

We moved to our property at All Saints Close nearly three years ago and our most loved feature is the quietness of this Close, our location is secluded away from the typical Iwade properties whereby lots of houses are built on top of each other. Our private Close is perfect for families who enjoy peace and quiet.

Since The Barn opened we have had damage to a large post where someone blatantly reversed into it before turning around and parking at The Barn (caught on CCTV) - this post has since been replaced and doesn't even match! This is a brief example of disrespect to our Close since the opening of The Barn. We pay a courtyard fee of maintenance for our Close and definitely do not want members of the public using it for somewhere to park. On our deeds we all have allotted spaces to park and to my knowledge there are only 3 visitor spaces on this Close. The Barn car park is not massive and people are likely to spill out onto our Close. I (Helen) will not be best pleased returning from work at 21:30 hours to have nowhere to park.

We do not want our children being woken by members of the public clearing out of this establishment at midnight or even 01:00. Our daughter is 1.5 yrs and her bedroom overlooks the Close - she can easily be awoken by nighttime noise such as cars starting and/or pub chat taken into the Close. Drunken behaviour will not be acceptable.

We are both very against the pending liscence, please hear our cause.

Kind regards

Helen Usher and Neil Edwards  
[REDACTED] All Saints Close  
Iwade  
ME9 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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■ All Saints Close  
Iwade  
Sittingbourne  
ME98 ■

VED  
21 MAY 2018

Dear Sirs

Re Iwade at the Barn Trust-20 All Saints Close

I am writing in regard to the application for Live and Recorded Music and the sale of alcohol.

This application for music and the sale of alcohol from Monday to Sunday from 8am to 1am and Bank Holidays from 8am to 1am. This building is totally unsuitable for this activity and is basically a large shed, has no soundproofing, being the size it is all the doors and windows would be open and cause noise pollution to the residents of this small close.

The trustees of the Barn seem to have forgotten that if it was not for the people that bought houses in this close they would not have the Barn.

There are no reasons for this application to be approved as there are venues in the village, The Village Hall and the Sports pavillion.

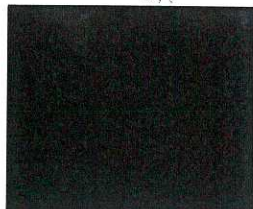
The barn is suitable for the activities which it is used for at present.

I make it clear that i object to this application and will do everything along with the other residents to have this refused.

I did not buy a property in a quiet close to have my life ruined by music and drinking activities.

Yours Faithfully

John Macoy





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## Licensing Act 2003

### REPRESENTATION FORM FROM OTHER PERSONS

This representation is made by other persons of the premises to be licenced as detailed below:

Your name	Marie Carr & Aaron Carr
Organisation name OR Name of body you represent	
Postal Address	■ The Street Iwade Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8■
Email address	■@gmail.com
Daytime contact number	■

Name of premises you are making a representation about	Iwade Barn
Address of premises you are making a representation about	Iwade Barn All Saints Close Iwade Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8FP



Your representation must relate to one of the four licensing objectives (see note 4)

Licensing Objective	Yes/No	Please detail the evidence supporting your representation OR the reason for your representation. Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary
Prevention of crime & disorder	Yes	The car park for the Iwade Barn shares a roughly 4-foot brick wall with our home and our front door opens directly onto this area. Our concern here is that, as it is illegal to smoke inside, this area will likely become a natural smoking area and there will undoubtedly be small crowds, sometimes drunk, loitering right outside our front door. <i>*Please see next page ...</i>
Public Safety	No	
Prevention of public nuisance	Yes	The reason for our representation is the proximity of the Iwade Barn to our home and the implications of live/amplified music taking place on a regular basis, as well as the inevitable noise of people congregating in the car park area. <i>*Please see next page ...</i>
Protection of children from harm	No	

SIGNED:

DATED:

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Signature]

23/05/18.

23/05/18



**Prevention of crime & disorder:**

Continued ...

The application states "CCTV System installed to remotely monitor entrances, exits, and other parts of the premises in order to address the prevention of crime objective". This covers the Iwade Barn itself, as is to be expected, but does not state whether the CCTV coverage extends far enough to cover the entire car park, especially the section of low wall adjoining our home. Our property could therefore be being placed at an increased risk, potentially without any consideration for the outcome. We would ask that the CCTV cover as close to the wall as possible and small signs indicating surveillance is taking place be positioned in all corners of the car park to deter people as much as possible from any criminal activity.

**Prevention of public nuisance:**

Continued ...

The car park for the Iwade Barn shares a roughly 4-foot brick wall with our home and our front door opens directly onto this area. Our concern here is that, as it is illegal to smoke inside, this area will likely become a natural smoking area and there will undoubtedly be small crowds, sometimes drunk, smoking, drinking and talking loudly until gone midnight everyday of the week: right outside our front door.

The license application states "customers will be asked not to stand around loudly talking in the street outside the premises". However, there is no mention of how this would be checked or enforced, and it is not only the "street outside the premises" that is of concern, but – most crucially for us – the car park of the premises itself, upon which no control or prevention measure has been placed or mentioned. As the wall is not particularly high, the potential for people loitering and sitting on it while drinking and smoking is unfortunately very likely. Not only would this be a disturbance to our home in terms of noise, but there is also the predictable leaving of drinks containers and cigarette butts on or over said wall to consider. We would ask that an area far away from our low property wall – preferably the front "lawn" area of the barn (detached from all residential properties as it is) – be set up as a designated smoking area to avoid this as much as is possible, and that some of the "adequate waste receptacles" mentioned in the application are placed at this location.

The application states, "noise reduction measures to address the public nuisance objective". However, no mention is made of what these would be. It has been left entirely ambiguous, which does not suggest a clear plan is in place to reassure residents that their



quality of life will not be inhibited by the application. As nothing has been specified, we would ask that a few small compromises on the application be considered.

Firstly, with regards to the provision of plays, the provision of films, the provision of live music, the provision of recorded music and the provision of performances of dance, the locations have been set as both indoor and outdoor. During the week, the end time is set as 23:00 everyday, which is reasonable enough. However, on public holidays, it is specified that the end time would be set as 01:00am. This is very late to have amplified music, crowds etc. gathered outdoors right outside our home, especially considering that despite it taking place on a public holiday, it is actually the end of the day – crossing into the next – and we would still have to get up and go to work early the following morning. We would ask that these activities please be restricted so that, after 23:00, all of the above must take place indoors, not outside.

Secondly, the opening times are a slight concern. On the public notice meant to alert residents to this new premises license application, the closing time on public holidays stated is 01:00am, but on the application it states 02:00am. The 01:00 closing time is already late enough to potentially cause noise and disturbance to residents' sleep and evening routines, but 02:00 seems extreme. As it takes people some time to leave events, especially if they've been drinking, there is bound to be at least half an hour of talking and cars starting up and gravel being chucked about as people drive off. Clearly, this all taking place as late as 02:30am is inordinately more detrimental to residents than 01:30. We would ask that the closing time of 01:00 on public holidays, as stated on the public notice, be adhered to, rather than the 02:00 closing time – stated in the application – of which the public notice rather dubiously makes no mention.

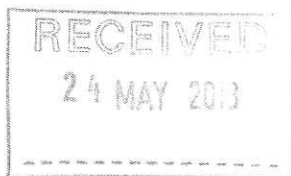
Thirdly, as nothing specific has been detailed in the application in terms of the prevention of noise leakage from the premises we would ask that a small measure be considered to reduce the potential for disturbance to our lives. When music etc. is being played inside the Barn, for example an event such as a wedding anniversary or birthday, we would ask that the windows and doors to the Barn be kept closed. This would dramatically reduce the noise and vibrations travelling to our home. There have been a few events of this sort held at the Barn so far and the noise and bass vibration has often been clearly heard/felt within our living room – enough that we easily recognised which songs were being sung on karaoke. While these occasions have thankfully fallen mostly on weekends it would put our minds at rest to know that a small measure such as keeping the doors and windows closed is in place to avoid disturbance to us as these events become more frequent.



The application for a new premises license only came to our attention because we received a note through our front door with a picture of the public notice and the text "This must be addressed please send in your concerns this should not go ahead". This clearly shows the concern at least one other resident has about the potential impact the license change/application could have. Had another resident not made us aware of the application we would have had absolutely no idea that anything was being planned or any chance to ask for these few small considerations.

As members of this small community, we are all for the Iwade Barn being utilised to its potential as an exciting local hub, but we will absolutely not stand for an establishment that detrimentally affects not just our home lives but the peace and tranquillity of our friends and neighbours, and the nature of this beautiful old centre of Iwade – surrounding the historic church – which we proudly call home.





Mr M K Walsom

■ The Street

lwade

Sittingbourne ME9 8■



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23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018

To Whom It May Concern

I would like to share my concerns and objections in regards to the change of Licencing hours to the venue at the Barn lwade ME9 8FP.

Initially when the development was built it was agreed for the Barn to be rebuilt and developed for the use of the Church for storage in time this was then changed to offer the additional usage for day time events and clubs during the day. This has now gone a stage further for the use for private hire and looking to include the sale of alcohol and extending the opening hours to midnight and 1am and from 8am during normal weeks. I don't think it is acceptable to have this venue operating 7 days a week. My house is within ■ ft. of this venue ■ I have previously had to speak to the users of this facility due to the excessive noise being generated from their parties or events. When the doors and windows are opened on the side of the barn facing All Saints Close and opposite my house the noise travels and it becomes very disturbing and disruptive. Due to the noise concern I had planned to ask the Environmental Health Authorities to monitor is use as this isn't acceptable to the local neighbourhood. I also have concerns around the sale of alcohol in this facility as I believe this will only fuel the potential problems in the village with the youngster using this as a place to gather and lead to anti-social behaviour issues.



We have the pub in the local village that can be used for social events and gatherings and at the other end we have the Village Hall that can be utilised for any events I believe there are already restrictions in place around the opening of windows due to concerns around the noise. I don't think that the barn is best placed for these types of events as we have also had previous problems with parking when the visitor's park up and down the main street not using the parking premises provided. Also I believe having the provision to have live music events will also heighten the potential problem of the noise impact locally. When the pub has late night events these also disturb the peace and quiet and this is some distance from our street.

Yours sincerely

A black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Mr M Walsom.

Mr M Walsom

■ All Saints Close,  
Iwade  
Sittingbourne  
Kent  
ME9 ■

Dear Sirs/Madam,


**RE Licensing Application for The Barn, 20 All Saints Close, Iwade.**

I would like to object regarding the Barn being given a Licence for Live music. This is a very small location on the corner of a very quiet cul-de-sac. We have no problems in our road with any loud residents and I feel if these premises are to be given a licence this would all change. I believe that this would cause an increase in anti-social behaviour in our village and even in our road. This could also lead to more damage being caused in our road. We pay a private company a fee to look after our road and we have already had one of the pillars in our road knocked over by a driver that was visiting the barn. I feel that being given a licence this could also lead to drunken people coming in our road and cause further damage. We already have a village hall in Iwade which is plenty big enough for parties and already have a licence to serve alcohol etc. I cannot see in such a small village why we need to have another premises that is so similar.

I also believe that there will be a problem with parking, even thou the Barn have a car park linked to it, it is on a number of occasions that people don't use this car park and already park in our road causing a problem for the residents to park in the evenings. If the Barn was to be given a Licence this would increase the parking problem we have already had since the Barn open.

When we were advised that the Barn was opening, at no point were we ever advised that they would be applying for a licence. I would also like to point out at no point were we advised as residents of this road that they had even applied for a Licence we only found out about this from a neighbour. So I feel this application has not been put out to the residents of the road it will directly affect for them to be given a chance to object at all.

Yours sincerely

  
Catherine Redman & Daniel Mears

