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Subject: Continued disturbances at The Barn

Dear Sir or Madam

I am contacting you to inform you of further disturbances that are emanating from The Barn.

I am aware that a hearing will be taking place at The Shire Hall on October 18th to review the venue's licence. However in the meantime the disturbances continue and so I would be grateful if you could keep this information on file.

I have been informed that the owners of The Barn have been advised not to hold any live music events during the last few weeks. However they have been open every day for 'Art At The Barn' where sculptures can be viewed by the general public. In a previous email I expressed my concerns with regards to how much noise was being created whilst these sculptures were being installed and at anti-social hours. This has continued.

During the week commencing Monday 16th September these disturbances occurred every day. The earliest occurrence was 7.40am and the latest was 10pm, right outside my window. These disturbances involved the constant 'clanging' of heavy metal objects being unloaded from vehicles, loud conversation and the relentless 'comings and goings' of the owners. As I have said many times before, The Barn is situated in a very quiet area right next to my home, so everything that occurs at this venue can be heard by myself very clearly.

I believe that such activities should be taking place during normal working hours.

May I also mention that on the 10th September the owner of The Barn constructed a metal fence and gate in the area. This involved very loud hammering, drilling and welding right outside my window until 8.45pm. When the metal gate is being opened and closed it is now adding even more noise. This is not acceptable in such a quiet area.

The Barn held a live music event last Saturday, 21st September. As is often the case I was forced to leave my home to escape the noise. I returned at 1.20am to find the owners still in The Barn with other people. From inside my flat I could clearly hear their conversation. They left at 1.30am.

As I have said before there is absolutely no consideration whatsoever shown by the owners to others in the area and they continue to disregard the terms and conditions of their licensing agreement.

It doesn't matter what event they plan to hold in the future, be it a music event, art exhibition or just serving tea and coffee, there is going to be unacceptable noise created by not just people attending the venue, but by the owners themselves. This occurs before, during and after every event as I have reiterated in previous emails as well as this one.

Thank you

Yours faithfully

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