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Dear Licensing Section

**Representations re Licensing Application by Wild Field Events Ltd for Raynham Hall, East Raynham, Fakenham NR21 7EP**

We own a property in the village of West Raynham and we are concerned to note that Wild Field Events Ltd have applied for an events license for a festival in the village. We object to the application.

In particular we are concerned to note that while the event is purporting to be a wellness festival, the application includes playing of live music until very early hours in the morning and the sale of alcohol late into the night and through the morning. It is likely that such an event will not attract families or those particularly interested in well-being, but will attract usual music festival goers and is more akin to a music festival or beer festival in reality. This is likely to result in traffic congestion and the risk of criminal damage and trespass to properties in the village of West Raynham. Many of the properties in the village are vacant for several weeks in the year and there is a real risk that they may be vandalised, particularly at night, and particularly if festival-goers are drinking until the early hours. In addition, the risk of drunken festival goers wandering around the village in the early hours may pose a real risk to the safety of those in the village, many of whom are elderly.

The proposed festival would result in hundreds or thousands of campers descending on a small village ill-equipped for their needs. We therefore object to the application on the basis of the threat to security of neighbouring property and young children in the village, likely disruption caused to immediate neighbours in West Raynham caused by loud music and consumption of alcohol late into the night/early morning, and the obvious traffic issues that this will create for a small rural village.

If such a wellness festival is to take place, such an event could be run during daytime with limited or no alcohol sales.

Regards  
Yours sincerely



**David Owens**