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Dear Sir,

With regard to the planning permission at the Wild Boar Park, Seagram, ref: - 3/2024/0687

I am rather concerned about the traffic situation, approaching & leaving a proposed wedding venue at the Boar Park.

The lane is very narrow. There are some parking places, but for the most part, things are difficult if you meet a car coming in the opposite direction.

This letter is to express this concern about traffic, & also whether there would be loud music, discos etc. late at night

Park, & this is an area of outstanding natural beauty, & usually very quiet.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 04 November 2024 08:26
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2024/0687 FS-Case-659548475

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2024/0687

Address of Development: Bowland Wild Boar Park Wardsley Road Chipping PR32HB

Comments: I wish to register my objection to plans submitted by the Bowland Wild Boar Park in regards to the application to make their wedding venue permanent. One of my reasons being this woodland is part of a registered ancient woodland and is a true haven for undisturbed wild life. Any disruption or disturbance caused by people or noise would be disastrous for them and a great loss to our environment. In addition the amount of traffic to the Boar Park is already causing problems, the road is so narrow and winding and in a poor state of repair and traffic at night could be more dangerous. I have no wish to stop the Boar Park itself but strongly object to this plan of a wedding venue.



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Dear Sir

**Reference Wild Boar Park Planning Application for a Wedding Venue Ref
3/2024/0687**

I would like to make a few comments regarding this application 

 It is an AONB with good reason and proposals such as this one can only be detrimental to the vernacular of the area. I would like to highlight the following in particular:

1. **Noise** Despite the acoustic report (commissioned by the applicants) this will be significant to both residents and to animals. This ~~is~~ conflicts with core planning policies (eg DMG1)
2. **Traffic** (core policy DMB3, 10.25,4) The venue will only accommodate a small number of potential wedding guests. The remainder will come and go in groups during weekends, at night and at festive times. There is potential for taxis, buses and even noisy pedestrians as well as large construction traffic. This situation would also appear to contravene Core Policy DMG1. Quite apart from this the roads are narrow and in poor condition.
3. **Design** A TiPi wedding vanue does not represent a high standard of design and introduces large scale development in an area largely devoid of structures. It in no way contributes to the protection, conservation and enhancement of the natural beauty of the landscape (DMB3)

Yours faithfully



[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 October 2024 17:09
To: Planning
Subject: objection to planning application..... FAO Maya Cullen

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Dear Maya Cullen,

Although we have not been directly contacted regarding the planning application for 3/2024/0687 at Wild Boar Park, we are nonetheless directly involved in the effects of this proposal.

[REDACTED]

Our concerns are as follows....

1. Little Bowland Road is very narrow, making passing of traffic very difficult for long stretches. It's okay for a small amount of traffic, well-spaced in time and distance. But any heavy traffic would create an unacceptable level of congestion and inherent problems.
2. As everyone knows the Forest of Bowland is an area of great natural beauty, where peace and tranquillity prevail. However, the noise level that will come from the suggested changes would be totally out of context for the environment. We have already heard the loud music coming from The Wild Boar Park when there has been an event ther
- 3) Finally, we in this area are always proud to host tourists who seek this unique and very special part of the world, The Trough of Bowland. It would be extremely disappointing if this unique environment was affected adversely reducing the enjoyment and attraction of its natural beauty.

Kind regards

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From:

[REDACTED]
28 October 2024 09:17

To:

Planning

Subject:

RE: Planning Application 3/2024/0687 Wild Boar Park

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Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to register my strong objection to this planning application albeit it is a retrospective application.

As it is a retrospective application I have already experienced the problems that this application has caused namely very loud music heard as far as the hamlet of Dinkling Green in the early hours of the morning and considerably high volume of traffic on Little Bowland Road which is not designed for such with very few passing places. I note from the Bowland Escapes website which is advertising lodges some in excess of £250K the brochure states "Visit for a peaceful getaway from the towns and cities you can relax at our dark skies accredited site away from the bright lights and sounds of the city surrounded by nature." Hardly a peaceful getaway with weddings catering for 200+ people closeby. What consideration is given to animals at the Wild Boar farm close by and all the other wildlife. What was once a small animal type park with unusual animals is slowly being changed into a holiday park in an area that is not suited to it and does not have the infrastructure . United Utilities should be consulted about this application as a large mains water pipe crosses the site? It would appear the applicant is having little regard to the planning laws as this retrospective and is forging ahead taking bookings for 2025 and even 2026 with no consideration to others.

I trust the council will adhere to the Local and National policies and have consideration to comments made by local residents.

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 29 October 2024 18:23
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2024/0687 FS-Case-658377026

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2024/0687

Address of Development: Wild Boar Park
Little Bowland Road
Whitewell

Comments: Dear Sir/Madam

We would like to our concerns and objections to the recent retrospective planning application for the Wild Boar Park, application number 3/2024/0687.

We were unaware there were events taking place already at the Wild Boar Park and of the planning application until just over a week ago. But as we have been trying to define where loud music was coming from at night we are obviously concerned that the cause of this is the events at the park and whether it will continue to be audible and how often. We have had two nights where [REDACTED] and neighbours [REDACTED] were disturbed until late which in such a remote area of complete darkness is also a concern as to whether they are just disturbed by noise from the park or whether we need to be checking [REDACTED].

The entrance to the park is just beyond the [REDACTED] and unsuitable for large volumes of traffic combined with general visitors to the area who tend to inadvertently block passing places as they understandably feel the road is quiet enough to do so. In the wetter/colder months all roads accessing the park and wider area are not user friendly, with cars getting stranded in grass verges that are waterlogged or on roads too icy to drive on. With no lighting, as this is an AONB and Dark Sky area, we have concerns that volumes of traffic to accommodate larger groups attending the venue will no doubt at some point get into difficulty and need assistance, day or night. There is limited mobile signal across most of the area, which has on a number of occasions resulted in visitors seeking assistance [REDACTED] local farms to tow vehicles, including delivery vehicles.

There is consistent farm activity throughout the year, both the moving of livestock on these roads and agricultural vehicles. With 200 guests arriving and leaving will primary consideration be given to the agricultural needs of the wider area or will there be further disruption to farming and the varied wildlife which inhabits the area.

There is also the consideration of the shoots in the autumn/winter months which takes place from

before the Wild Boar Park up to Dinkling Green and beyond, bringing traffic on set days and parking on Dinkling Green Lane, Dinkling Green and Little Bowland Road.

The holiday lodges already at the park are very in tune with the surroundings and the area as an AONB, are these new developments as visually considerate of the surrounding area? They do not appear to be looking at the application online. They appear to contradict all things natural and contradict the whole point of an area being stated as an AONB.

Is this development necessary to the area as a whole, we do not feel it is or indeed that it enhances the area, in fact the opposite. It creates difficulty for all the other many visitors who come here to enjoy the peace and quiet of an AONB. Including disabled visitors who are able to visit the area with assistance from locals to enable them to fully enjoy the experience. With narrow lanes not suitable for large volumes of traffic all attempting to reach a venue for a set time for some miles on approach to the park.

Does this development take into consideration the infrastructure required to hold such large events? As a retrospective application it does not imply that any consideration whatsoever has been applied to the area or its residents. If we can hear the music and notice the disturbance [REDACTED] then the residents closer must feel like the events are in their garden. There are also concerns that if this development does indeed receive approval, as it is retrospective, what's next? Will the applicants want to increase capacity or the amount of events held there, will they ask approval or just go ahead as with this development?

We were also informed that only immediate neighbours were advised of the planning but that did not include a property just across the field from the site, where the music and noise from an event would be very clearly heard.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 29 October 2024 18:44
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2024/0687 FS-Case-658377111

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2024/0687

Address of Development: Bowland Wild Boar Park, Wardsley Road, Chipping. PR3 2HB

Comments: We have strong reservations for the application for a wedding venue. The road to the Wild Boar Park is a single track road. We already encounter traffic problems with the visitors to the park during the day when attending throughout the day. For a wedding, people will be arriving at the same time, with a large amount of traffic all at once. A large proportion of these drivers are not used to driving on country roads, which means [REDACTED] agricultural vehicles with implements attached. We try to avoid going on the road on Saturdays & Sundays during the day, as we know it will cause us stress.

The road is already in a poor state of repair and the increase in traffic will deteriorate this further. We are also concerned about the noise & lights in the wood. This area should be left untouched for nature. A large proportion of ground nesting birds, bats, barn owls, otters, badgers & deer are present in the area and we should not be disturbing these animals unnecessarily.

The Hodder Valley is an area of outstanding natural beauty and we would like to keep it that way.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 October 2024 20:07
To: Planning
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Planning Objection : Wild Boar Park 3/2024/0687
Attachments: Video.MOV

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To whom it may concern,

[REDACTED] given that the Wild Boar Park have made an application for a wedding venue to be established. Not a huge surprise given that they have been hosting weddings through the summer and we [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

We would like to object to the proposed set up for the following reasons.

1. Road surface

The road that [REDACTED] Leagram is not well maintained at present, rough at best. The extra traffic will no doubt worsen this situation.

2. Traffic volume

The road is mostly single track up to Wild boar park and during the summer months we already have a rise in the volume of traffic visiting their 'zoo'. The difference here is, these visitors are coming and going at various times of the day, we don't see 100 - 200 visitors arriving at a specified time. With a descent of this volume of traffic in one hit, the road is simply not set up for this. Anyone travelling in the opposite direction is going to cause gridlock. Wagons, tractors, oil tankers and other large vehicles use this road and access is going to be completely compromised.

This will obviously also cause absolute chaos for farmers and locals getting to and from their homes. It's unacceptable.

If emergency services were required at the coinciding time as wedding guests arriving, it would be a disaster.

3. Noise pollution

██████████ AONB. ██████████ never expecting to have to worry about man made and avoidable noise drifting up the valley - the attached ██████████ demonstrates how this has already happened, and the clarity and pollution it's causing.

If we can hear that as clearly as we can on a ██████████ I dread to think of the impact this will have, week in week out throughout the summer for the wildlife.

We are seeing fewer returning nesting birds as it is - this will surely finish it off. Curlews and Lapwings are in a decline nationally but we enjoy their return each summer, our local farmland is their natural habitat. The introduction of late night noise from a wedding venue is surely going to be further damaging to these nesting birds.

Additionally, there has to be concern raised for the bat population in the area, with noise proven to disrupt this protected species. ██████████, and I would be incredibly surprised if we were the only ones in the venues radius to play ██████████. I don't doubt bats are present all over this valley, and will be significantly and negatively impacted by this development.

4. Property value

Where we live is not for everyone, we choose ██████████. That choice is for a quieter place, remove the quiet and add in the bass of a wedding band beating out killers every week and the niche market ██████████ will no longer be interested.

5. Sound levels

On the whole, in an evening you can hear a pin drop outside. This development will cause a huge difference between our current noise levels and those anticipated should this be passed. I would beg the question that the difference in the noise level from our current standard noise levels (hear a pin drop) and the noise levels should this go ahead (significant) - need to be carefully considered and measured. Differences in noise pollution caused by a new venture surely need to pass legal regulations? I can't see how this will work?

Many thanks for taking these views into consideration, I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Please confirm that you have received this email.

Best wishes

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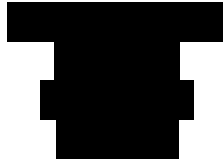
From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 October 2024 09:34
To: Planning
Subject: Boar Park chipping

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Hi. After only hearing about the planning for a wedding venue at the Boar Park last night. The music we can hear in our house, [REDACTED]. After I rang up about the music to the Boar Park. The lady I speak to, was rude and said it's what it is and do what you have to !!!!! The road to the Boar Park is a single-track road and isn't fit for lots of traffic. Look forward to hearing back from you.

[REDACTED]



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28/10/2024

Dear Sir or Madam

Reference Wild Boar Park, Wardsley Rd, Chipping, PR3 2HB. Ref 3/2024/0687

We would like to make further comments regarding this application to become a Wedding Venue

The application would appear to conflict with a number of Core Planning Policies :-

- DMG1 (General Considerations). Such a development will significantly affect the amenity with **noise** well above the background especially at night. Furthermore as a retrospective application it may explain the noise heard from the vicinity at night over recent weeks
- DMG1 Since the site is already effectively a nature reserve (both part of the existing business and indigenous) it would appear to contravene heading 1. Under Environment (habitats and species, Green Corridors and other sites of nature conservation). We could see no mention of animals in the Acoustic Report. **Animals** are sensitive to noise and the levels cited would be hugely detrimental to them.
- DMG1 Potential **Traffic**. The roads are narrow and in poor condition. Access is limited. There would be both construction traffic (potentially large HGVs) and high volume traffic concentrated at particular times – most likely late at night. There is potential for taxis and buses as well as rowdiness.
- DMG2 (development Outside Settlement Areas). Since this proposal is outside a settlement area it would not appear to fit any of your defined criteria
- DMB3 (Recreation and Tourism Development)
 - It would not represent a high standard of design appropriate to the area.
 - **10.25** Point 4 – Highway network and traffic,,
 - It introduces large scale development in an area largely devoid of structures
 - It does not contribute to the protection, conservation and enhancement of the natural beauty of the landscape. Quite the contrary
 - It does not reflect the local vernacular in any way

Yours Sincerely



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From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 30 October 2024 12:17
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2024/0687 FS-Case-658535671

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2024/0687

Address of Development: Bowland Wild Boar Park, Wardsley Rd, Chipping. PR3 2HB

Comments: We note the retrospective planning permission for a wedding venue. It is already advertising on it's website as a functioning business and presumably taking bookings / deposits. We have concerns about noise levels and would request they are taken into consideration for a rural community in an area of outstanding natural beauty. We also note the owners intention to hold weddings on a Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday every week between April and October for up to 200 guests per wedding.

Noise levels and early Curfew times, during the working week should be taken into consideration.

Traffic levels on the designated "Quiet Lanes" will increase significantly. They are already in a very poor state. Mytham Road for example was completely impassable earlier this year due to poor road surface and flooding and poor drainage. There are limited passing places. What will the relevant authorities be doing to improve the very poor roads around the Boar Park should permission be granted?

key points of concern. Noise levels. Curfew Times, (especially mid week) Increased traffic and very poor minor country lanes in need of significant improvement. The roads are designated Quiet Lanes and the area is meant to be AONB.