

From: [REDACTED]
To: Licensing@torbay.gov.uk
Sent: Fri May 15 2026 18:26:44 BST
Subject: Objection of a premises license

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Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to formally object to the premises licence application for Torbay Showground, Brixham road, Paignton TQ47BH.

I am a resident of [REDACTED] **Hound tor close**, located in the quiet suburban estate immediately adjacent to the application site.

My objection is based on the **Prevention of Public Nuisance**. This location is a greenfield site surrounded by established residential housing. The "ambient" noise level here is naturally very low; consequently, any amplified music from the field is not "masked" by background noise and becomes highly intrusive.

During the last event, the noise levels were unacceptable:

- **Lack of Containment:** As the event is held in an open field, there are no structural barriers to mitigate sound. The music was heard clearly within my property and prevented the use of my garden.
- **Low-Frequency Vibration:** The bass levels were such that they could be felt inside our home, causing significant distress and preventing relaxation.
- **Character of the Area:** A permanent premises licence is entirely inconsistent with the character of this quiet suburban estate.

If the Licensing Sub-Committee is minded to grant this application, I urge you to at least impose the following conditions to protect residents:

1. **Acoustic Survey:** A requirement for a professional noise impact assessment to be carried out before any further events.
2. **Directional Sound:** All speakers must be oriented away from the residential estate and towards the open country.
3. **Noise Monitoring:** Real-time decibel monitoring at the boundary of our estate, with results made available to the Council.
4. **Strict Cut-off Times:** No amplified music beyond [**e.g., 21:00 or 22:00**] to protect the sleep of local families and children.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 24 May 2026 17:52:04 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Road Paington Devon TQ4 7BH. |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ [REDACTED] [REDACTED] |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | <input type="checkbox"/> The prevention of crime and disorder <input type="checkbox"/> Public safety <input type="checkbox"/> The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | <p>Public Safety: The concerns over public safety are the fact that there are no pavements between Brixham Road (Windy Corner) and Hunters Tor Drive, where the entrance to this venue falls between. Neither is there any safe place for people to cross the road. There will also be a higher volume of traffic, forcing many drivers to use the side streets, putting the local residents welfare at risk. Other people may decide to park in the side streets, making the roads narrow and in some cases impassable, particular to emergency vehicles. Then there's the additional noise. Not just from the venue itself, but from the people visiting, looking for parking in the side streets. This noise increase will have a detrimental effect on the local residents health and well-being. Some residents who work shifts, (my partner and I work shifts), extreme earlys or lates, will have their quality of sleep affected, if they are able to get to sleep in the first place, with the constant loud noise that will be coming from the venue. It will also affect residents who work from home during the day and students who need to revise for their exams.</p> <p>The Prevention of Crime and Disorder + The Prevention of Public Nuisance: The above preventions go hand in hand. A Public Nuisance is a crime in itself. Excessive noise is a noise nuisance. To prevent the above, additional security will be required. Who will pay for this additional service? Whether the proprietor will be granted a license to sell alcohol or not, most people going to music events particularly, will have already had plenty to drink before arriving. Then, if a misunderstanding occurs under the influence of alcohol, people tend to overreact and end up fighting, which will further add to the already extreme nuisance noise. Earlier this year in March, the proprietor had a fun fare on this land, the noise from this event was excessive, distressing and intrusive. I</p> |
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had to close my doors and windows in order to concentrate on my studies.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder. 1

Full name:

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Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 23 May 2026 23:09:20

Name of the premises: Torbay showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham Road

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

[REDACTED]

Last name:

[REDACTED]

Contact number:

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Email address:

[REDACTED]

Address:

[REDACTED] LANGDON LANE BRIXHAM TQ5 0PG [REDACTED]
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Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

The prevention of public nuisance

The reason for your representation:

The times of required use of the site is excessive given its location in close proximity to local residents. 6am to 12 midnight is excessive and would cause disturbance to local residents at unsocial hours The period for music performances and alcohol sale is also excessive and would result in large groups of people exiting the site after 11:pm upto 12 midnight within 100 metres of domestic properties There would need to be an enforceable decibel limit imposed on the site and preferably a limited number of performances during any one week

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

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Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 23 May 2026 21:09:53

Name of the premises: Torbay showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham road

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

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Email address:

Address: LANGDON FIELDS BRIXHAM TQ5 0PJ

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance

The reason for your representation: This is far too close to residential area. Too much noise, and traffic in an area already suffering from congestion at windy corner. It's a totally unsuitable area for such a venue.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? Yes

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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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| Date and Time Submitted | 23 May 2026 21:12:32 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Road, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HUNTERS TOR DRIVE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SG [REDACTED] [REDACTED] |

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| The reason for your representation: | It's on a very busy road, dangerous with traffic It's a residential order and the noise volume is loud and unfair Extra parked cars on our estate and people walking past late at night disturbing houses with young families It's an affluent area where people have paid a lot of money for properties and now this is thrown in the middle of it |
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undoubtedly will affect local residents' enjoyment of their homes and gardens. **IMPACT ON THE CHARACTER OF THE AREA** This proposal would intensify the use of what is currently open land and may alter the character of the surrounding area by introducing a more intensive and commercial entertainment use. **LIGHTING AND LATE-EVENING IMPACTS** Concerts and showground activities will require floodlighting, security lighting and evening operation. All this will create additional disturbance to nearby residents, not to mention wildlife, and will create significant change to the area. I therefore, respectfully request that the Council carefully considers the impact on highway capacity, residential amenity and the wider local environment and NOT support this application.


Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? No

Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 31 May 2026 16:18:42

Name of the premises: Torbay showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham road

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

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Last name:

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Contact number:

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Email address:

[REDACTED]

Address:

[REDACTED] HUNTERS TOR DRIVE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SG [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Representation

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The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance
The protection of children from harm

The reason for your representation:

The increased traffic on the estate is a danger to local children playing and riding their bikes. The cars park all along hunters tor drive for the car boot sale which is already a nuisance because weve seen buses having to reverse because its caused a block, and seen cars having to reverse on the busy brixham road which is dangerous. Even the police have had to attend. windy corner is already terrible for traffic, we dont need increased traffic. The noise is terrible and was bad enough with the fair being there.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 31 May 2026 16:11:13 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground - Brixham Road |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HUNTERS TOR DRIVE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SG [REDACTED] [REDACTED] |

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| The reason for your representation: | Living within a [REDACTED] minute walk from Torbay Showground we already experience significant amounts of disruption from events on the land. Most notably the Sunday car boot sale with cars blocking access, parking recklessly and causing bus routes to divert or most recently require police attendance. With events taking place for large parts of the day 7 days a week during the summer we will face significant noise levels everyday and issues with parking and disruption to bus routes. The recent fayre and the weekly boot sale provide evidence of this with increased traffic causing longer than usual travel times to work and school collections and cars lined up parked recklessly along Hunters Tor Drive and surrounding roads. The traffic in this area is challenging enough during the summer months without the increase this will bring. I realise that space is at a premium in Torbay but this land is far too close to a large residential area and really does disrupt the residents who live here all year. |
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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 31 May 2026 15:49:56 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground - Brixham Road |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Road (Windy Corner) |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ [REDACTED] [REDACTED] |

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| The reason for your representation: | I object to the Showground application for licensing as it will encourage large gatherings of late night revellers causing noise and disturbance to a quiet estate with many young families and older residents. Vehicles are likely to be parked in residential streets to avoid queues and charges for parking onsite, creating more disruption and late night noise when people return to their vehicles. Large numbers of vehicles entering and exiting the venues in the 'Windy Corner' will cause extra disruption to an already busy road junction. |
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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 01 June 2026 10:53:34 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, Paignton TQ4 7BH |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, Paignton TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ [REDACTED] [REDACTED] |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of public nuisance |
| The reason for your representation: | We live nearby this site which up until recently was used only for a car boot sale. Even then there have been so many cars parked up Hunters Tor Road opposite on both sides right to the junction preventing exit and we have had to turn round and drive a long way round. Recent circus there caused more parking difficulties and loud noise. This new application for summer events will increase both late night noise to residential area & excessive car parking in our roads. There are 7 events planned this summer with music, fireworks and overnight camping which will cause more noise. |
| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | Yes |
| What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | [REDACTED] |
| Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation | No |

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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 01 June 2026 14:58:29 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Rd - Windy Corner |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HUNTERS TOR DRIVE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SG [REDACTED] |

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Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of crime and disorder Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | The noise disturbance is a great worry, the recent Fair was too loud and went on late in the evening. The proposed Summer events are too close to quiet residential property, homes of many elderly frail and easily frightened, worried people. The potential of drink related crime and anti-social behaviour, especially on late and overnight events. The roads throughout Hookhills and Windy Corner would be used for indiscriminate parking and congestion, as is already being experienced when Sunday Car boots take place (the police have already been called to deal with bad parking obstructing and preventing the bus to run) which I am heavily dependent on. |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | No |
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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 02 June 2026 11:47:34 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Road, Paignton, TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ {uprn: 100040525870} |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | <p>I am submitting this representation on the grounds of the prevention of public nuisance and public safety and I am asking the licensing authority to refuse the application. Noise disturbance During the fairground that operated at the site from 19 to 29 March 2026, my household and I experienced significant and sustained noise disturbance. This included music, low frequency bass, ride noise, public address announcements and crowd noise. The noise was clearly audible throughout my home with windows and doors closed and continued throughout the evening on weekdays as well as weekends. I submitted a formal noise complaint to Environmental Health (case reference [REDACTED] and provided video recordings taken across multiple days. A Senior Environmental Health Officer visited the site during the fair and made contact with the operators asking them to reduce the noise. This did not result in any noticeable reduction in the disturbance at my property. On Monday 23 March the fair held a SEND event for children with sensory needs, and even on that evening the noise remained clearly audible at my home. Other residents also submitted complaints to the council in connection with this event. Having reviewed the application, I can see that the applicant's own proposed conditions include a requirement that music should not be audible inside nearby dwellings with windows open. This standard was not met during the March fair. The noise and low frequency bass was audible inside my home with windows and doors closed, which is a significantly higher threshold than windows open. I also understand from the council that the noise management plan submitted alongside this application is not publicly visible on the licensing register, which makes it very difficult for residents to assess whether the proposed measures are adequate. What I can say from direct experience is that the measures in place during March were not sufficient, and nothing</p> |
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I have seen in the application gives me confidence that this would be different under a premises licence. The applicant has also publicly acknowledged on social media that they are unable to control sound levels when wind direction changes (see supporting evidence, item 1). For an open outdoor site, this is a fundamental limitation that makes it difficult to guarantee consistent protection for nearby residents. People living close to a venue should reasonably expect to be able to enjoy their homes and gardens without sustained noise disturbance. The evidence from March 2026 shows that the site, when used for large events, already falls short of that basic expectation. Adequacy of the noise management plan and complaints process The application does not provide residents with enough information about how noise from live music, recorded music, fairground rides, generators and large crowds would be controlled and monitored. Based on my experience during the March fair, when noise remained clearly audible at my property despite intervention from Environmental Health, I have little confidence that the proposed measures would provide adequate protection. The application proposes a self-managed complaints hotline. Given what has already happened, I do not think this is a sufficient safeguard. During the period when residents were raising noise concerns, the applicant publicly described those concerns on social media as a "anonymous campaign" and engaged positively with comments suggesting that residents making complaints should be identified using CCTV and doorbell cameras (see supporting evidence, items 2 and 2.1). This conduct raises serious questions about whether a complaints process run by the applicant would operate in good faith, and it also explains why some residents may be reluctant to contact the applicant directly, which the council should take into consideration when weighing the level of formal representations received. I would also draw attention to a post made by Torbay Showground on social media stating that the funfair would not be returning to the site (see supporting evidence, item 1). This statement was made on 27 March 2026. However, advertising published by David Rowland and Sons on 20 March 2026 already indicated their attendance at the Riviera Tribute Festival later in the year (see supporting evidence, item 1.1). The apparent inconsistency between these publicly available statements raises questions regarding the accuracy of information being provided to residents and the transparency of communications relating to future events at the site. Cumulative impact and the scale of the proposed licence My objection is not to occasional low-impact activities such as the weekly car boot sale. The issue is the proposed use of the site as a large-scale commercial events venue operating year round, seven days a week. The operators are currently advertising Torbay Showground as an outdoor venue with a capacity of 4,500 people. Events already advertised for this summer include RevsFest, Paulo's Circus, This Ain't Texas, Fam Fest, VW Camp Out, the Riviera Tribute Festival and Illuminate the Night, a fireworks and laser show. These are spread across July, August and September with very little break between them. When set-up and dismantling periods are factored in, there are very few weekends and limited periods throughout that time when nearby residents would not potentially be affected by some form of event activity. The problem is not the impact of any one event but the effect of repeated events running back to back over an extended period with no meaningful respite. The application seeks permission for live music, recorded music, dance and similar entertainment indoors and outdoors every day of the week from 12:00 to 22:30, with the premises open from 06:00 to midnight. A number of activities regularly advertised at the site, including fairground rides, circuses, fireworks and car festivals, do not appear to be restricted by the licensed hours in any meaningful way. Overnight camping, which is planned to take place at the VW Camp Out event, would fall entirely outside those hours, and it is not clear how disturbance and public safety during that time would be managed. The wider impact of events of this scale and frequency goes beyond noise from the stage or the music. Noise from generators, public address systems, arriving and departing visitors and overnight campers all adds to the picture. The Hookhills area is a quiet residential

neighbourhood and a licence of the scope applied for would fundamentally change that character on a permanent and ongoing basis. I am aware that in other parts of the local area, residents have previously raised concerns about the noise impact of licensed events at nearby venues and those concerns were taken seriously. The scale of what is proposed here is considerably greater. This affects a wide range of people. Many residents work from home, work shifts or have caring responsibilities that mean they depend on daytime hours, evenings and weekends for rest. I also work from home and the March fair demonstrated clearly how repeated noise over multiple days and weeknights can make it difficult to work, rest and enjoy your own home and garden.

Public safety The venue is being promoted as capable of accommodating up to 4,500 people, yet there is no safe pedestrian route from nearby bus stops to the site entrance. Photographs of the site entrance from both directions on Brixham Road are included in my supporting evidence (item 3.1) and clearly show the absence of any footpath or safe crossing point connecting the road to the site. Visitors travelling on foot or by public transport are likely to route through surrounding residential streets, including the Hookhills estate, to reach the site. The way pedestrian access was handled during the March fair illustrates why this needs to be taken seriously. On 19 March 2026, the fair operator posted on social media advising pedestrians not to use Brixham Road and to instead access the site via the top gate at Langdon Lane. The following day this guidance changed and pedestrians were directed to walk along a grass verge alongside Brixham Road, with Torbay Showground confirming the change and noting that the indicated route has a crossing point but no pathway to walk along once crossed. The operator's own post acknowledged that the verge may not be suitable for wheelchair users or people with limited mobility. Screenshots of both posts and the Torbay Showground confirmation are included in my supporting evidence (item 3), and photographs of the tape barrier erected along the verge are also included (item 3.1). This arrangement was introduced at short notice for a large public event on a busy road and was acknowledged by the operators themselves to have limitations. That is not an adequate approach to pedestrian safety at the scale being proposed. Families with children and teenagers were seen on multiple occasions walking along the Brixham Road roadside to get to and from the site, and this was raised as a concern publicly at the time (see supporting evidence, item 3.1). On 25 May 2026 I witnessed a young child fall on the roadside embankment while crossing the road with a grandparent after leaving the bank holiday car boot sale, when a car stopped to let them cross. Nobody was hurt, but it highlighted the risks that exist even at relatively low visitor numbers. Brixham Road is a two-lane road that already experiences heavily congested stationary traffic on car boot days. With additional cars parked in the Hookhills residential area during larger events, access in and out of junctions becomes more difficult. In the event of a fire or medical emergency requiring access through to Brixham or affecting the surrounding streets, the volume of stationary and parked traffic that large events generate could significantly delay the response of fire engines or ambulances. Residential streets are already being used for parking by visitors to the car boot sales and were used in the same way when the fair was on site, which adds to both the safety and amenity concerns for people living in the area. The application does not appear to explain what measures would be in place to manage the movement of large numbers of people once they leave the site, particularly later in the evening when alcohol has been consumed. There is no indication of whether an appropriate security presence would be maintained outside the venue, or what liaison arrangements exist with Devon and Cornwall Police. At the scale proposed, the management of crowds dispersing into surrounding residential streets is a genuine public safety question that the application leaves unanswered.

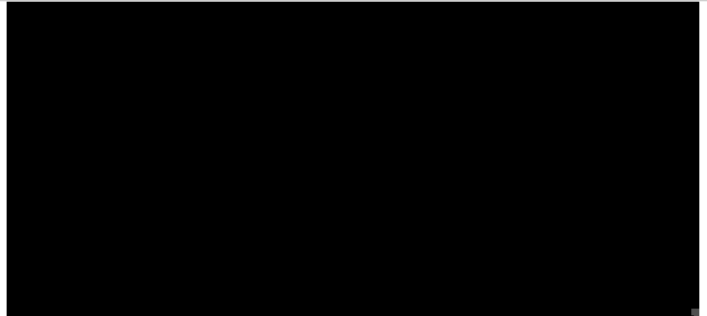
Wildlife and environment The showground sits within the South Hams SAC Greater Horseshoe Bat Consultation Area. Bat surveys carried out for the nearby Inglewood development recorded Greater Horseshoe bat activity in and around this site, with activity highest in August and

September, which is exactly when the largest events are planned. Guidance relating to the South Hams SAC identifies increased illumination and disturbance of foraging and commuting habitats as matters requiring careful consideration. I have raised these concerns with Natural England, the Bat Conservation Trust, Devon Wildlife Trust and Devon and Cornwall Police. I recognise that ecological issues sit under separate legislation, but the intensity, frequency and scale of what is proposed has the potential to increase pressure on a sensitive location in ways that do not appear to have been clearly addressed. Conclusion For the reasons above, granting the premises licence as applied for would be inconsistent with the licensing objectives of preventing public nuisance and ensuring public safety. I am asking that the application be refused.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?



Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

Yes

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Supporting Evidence.pdf

Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

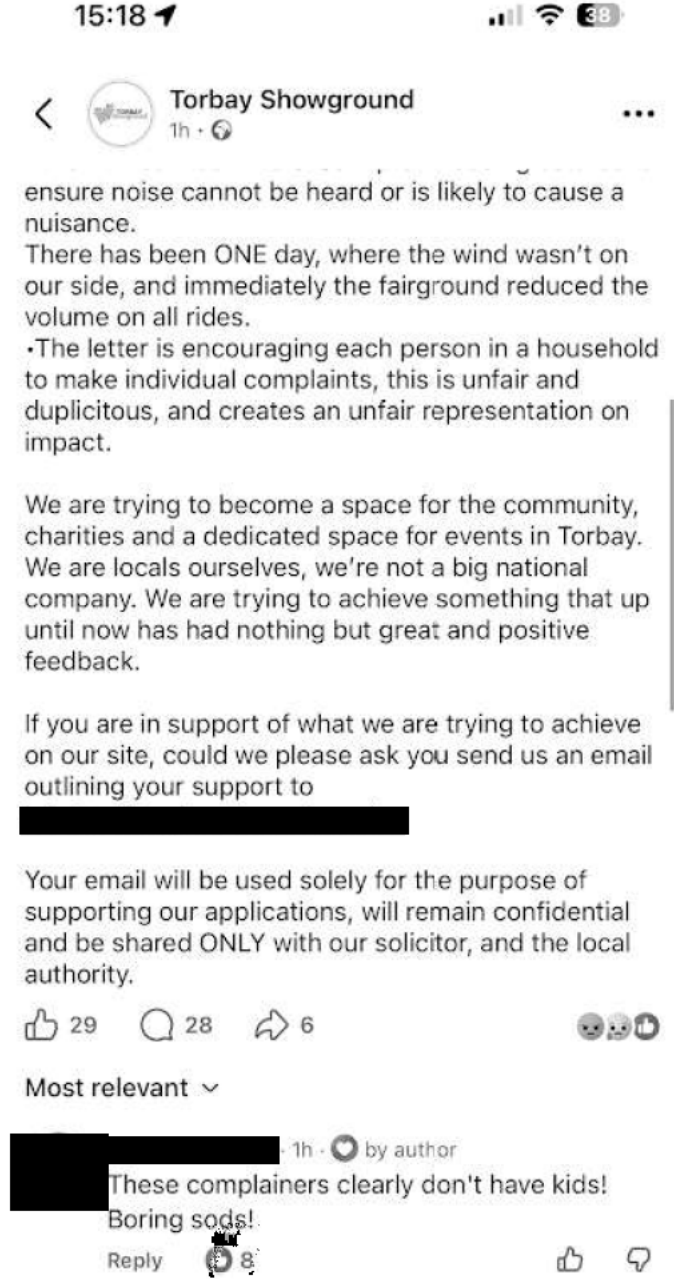
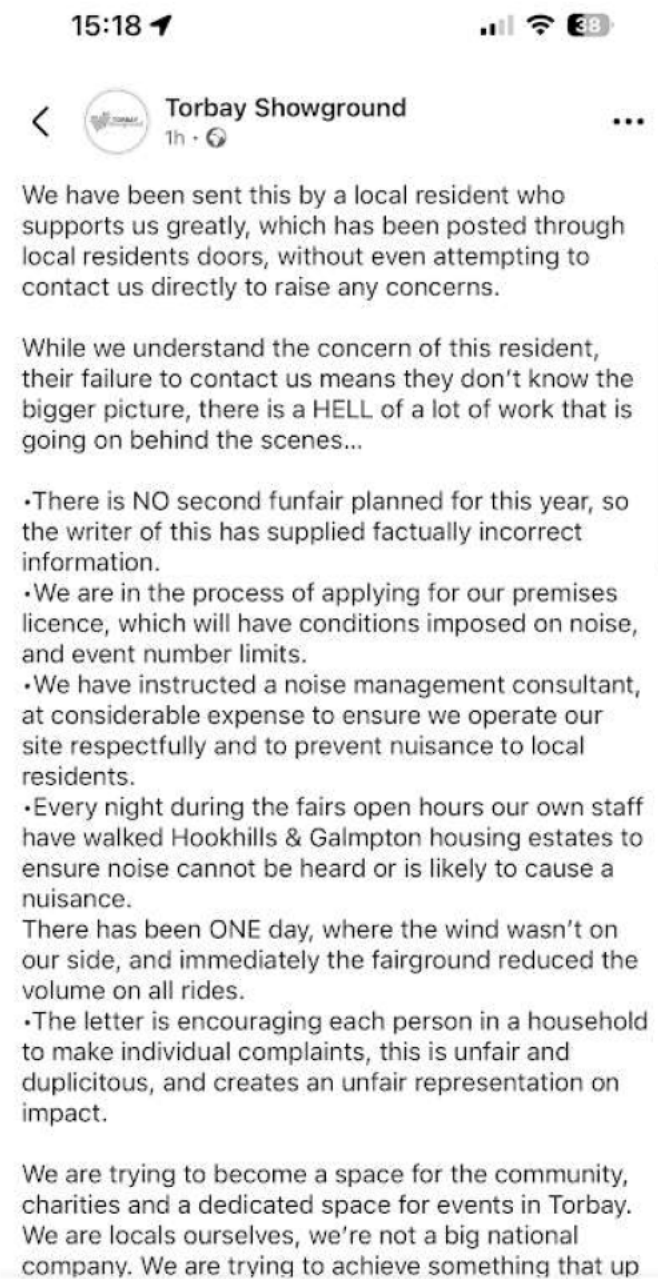
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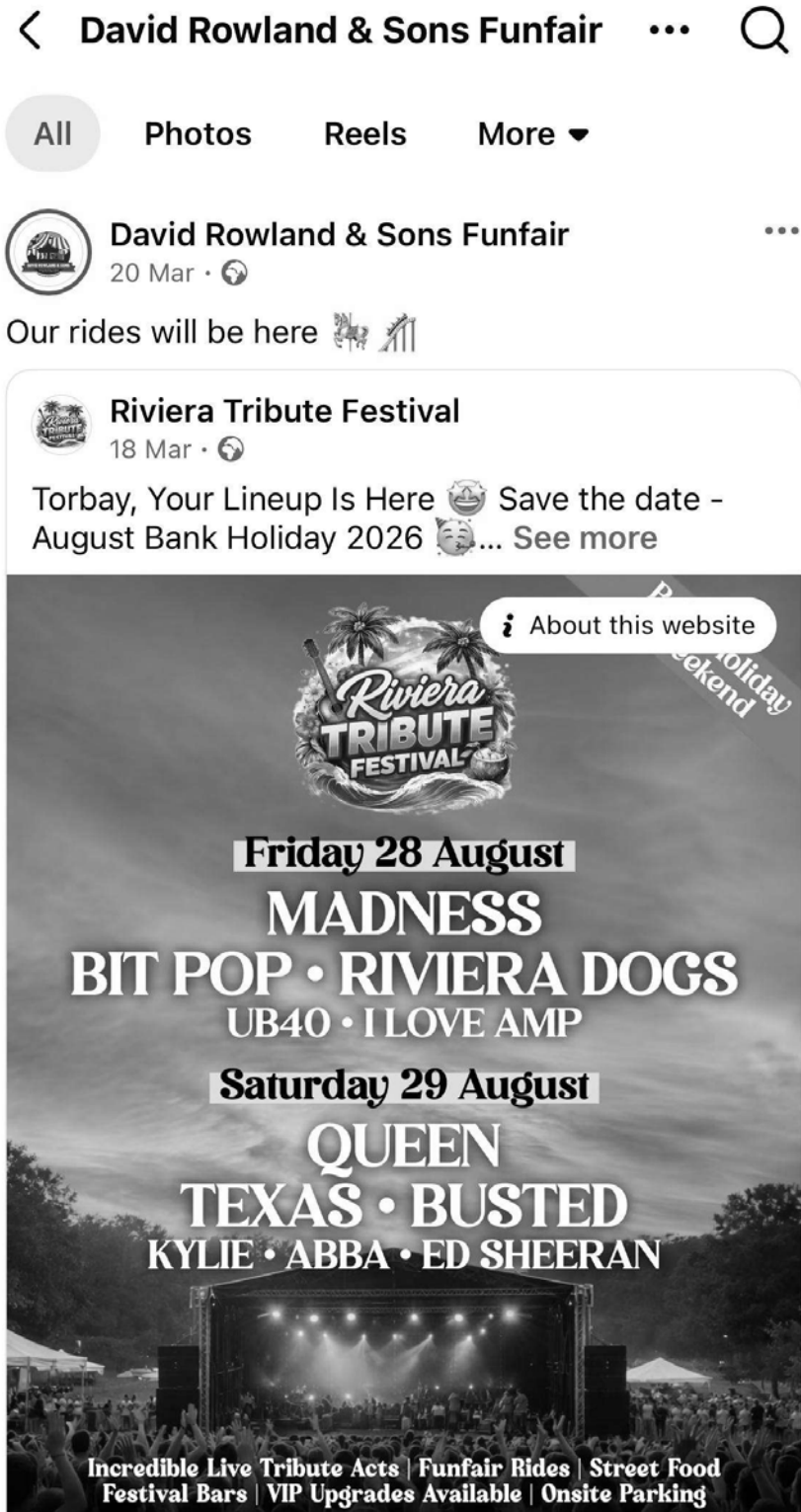
Item 1

Screenshot of Torbay Showground social media post dated 27 March 2026, in which the operator publicly acknowledges being unable to control sound levels when wind direction changes. The same post states that the funfair will not be returning to the site.



Item 1.1

Screenshot of David Rowland and Sons social media advertising confirming their attendance at events at Torbay Showground later in the summer, posted prior to the Torbay Showground statement on 27 March 2026 that the fair would not be returning.



Item 2

Screenshots of Torbay Showground social media posts in which it is encouraging the public to believe a resident raising concerns as running a "hate campaign" and states that legal advice is being sought in response to objections. Liking and addressing comments about finding the people who have complained.



Yet again, we've been made aware that another anonymous and unsolicited letter has been distributed to residents in Hookhills, encouraging complaints about the planned use of our site this year. We haven't seen this letter yet, but have been told by some of our fantastic supporters.

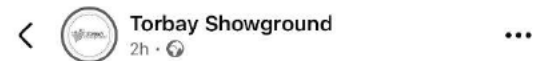
To say this is disheartening would be an understatement.

We are a small, local business run by two local people, supported by a hardworking team of staff who genuinely care about this community. We are not a large national company, and we are certainly not trying to do anything underhanded or inappropriate.

Everything we are doing is being handled properly and transparently. We are working closely with the council and our solicitors, submitting the correct applications, maintaining regular communication, and investing our time, money, energy, and resources into creating something positive for Torbay — a space that can be enjoyed by the wider community.

What makes this especially upsetting is that the individual behind these letters has never once attempted to contact us directly to discuss any concerns. Instead, anonymous letters continue to be circulated in an attempt to create negativity around a local business that is simply trying to grow and contribute positively to the area.

So, to the resident responsible — if you do see this — we would genuinely welcome a conversation with you. Our contact details are available on our signage, website or social media, and we would much rather



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We believe communities are built through communication, understanding, and support — not division. And we would like to thank the many residents who have already shown kindness, encouragement, and support for what we are trying to achieve here.

We ask again, if you are in support of what we are trying to achieve with our site, please do send us a message, or email or support so that we can submit these with our applications and show the council how much support we have.

We already have over 20 emails, and 150 comments of support, but with the way this resident is not resting in an attempt to disrupt our business, we will need more.

Thank you, genuinely to everyone who has and does support us. It does not go unrecognised.



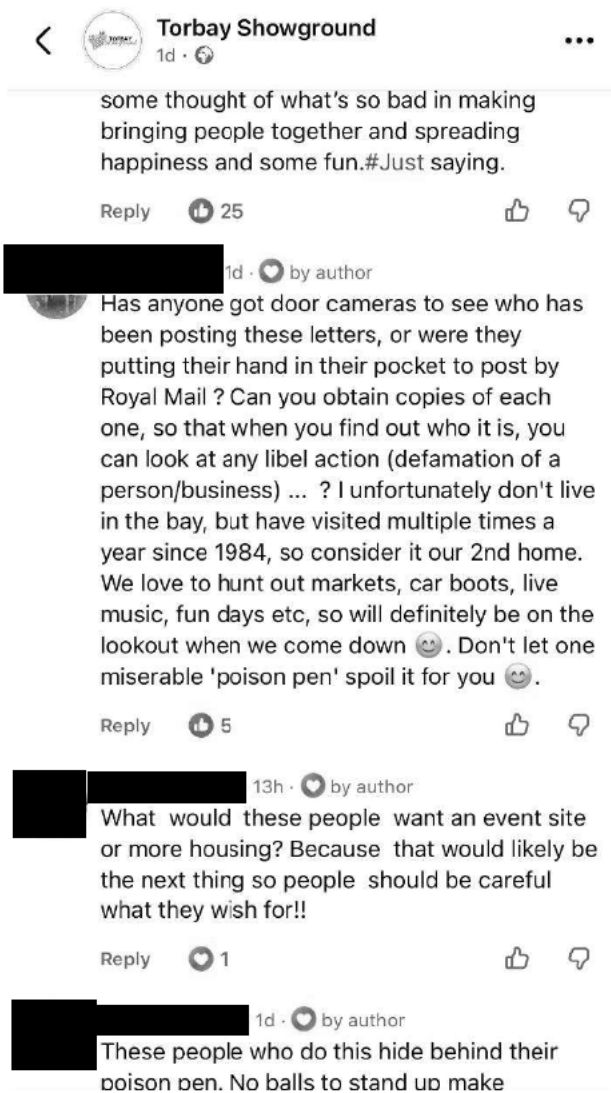
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Item 2.1

Screenshots of comments posted publicly beneath the Torbay Showground social media posts, in which members of the public suggest using CCTV cameras and doorbell cameras to identify residents who have raised concerns. These comments received positive engagement from the

page owners.



Torbay Showground 1d · 🌐

some thought of what's so bad in making bringing people together and spreading happiness and some fun.#Just saying.

Reply 👍 25

1d · 🌐 by author

Has anyone got door cameras to see who has been posting these letters, or were they putting their hand in their pocket to post by Royal Mail ? Can you obtain copies of each one, so that when you find out who it is, you can look at any libel action (defamation of a person/business) ... ? I unfortunately don't live in the bay, but have visited multiple times a year since 1984, so consider it our 2nd home. We love to hunt out markets, car boots, live music, fun days etc, so will definitely be on the lookout when we come down 😊. Don't let one miserable 'poison pen' spoil it for you 😊.

Reply 👍 5

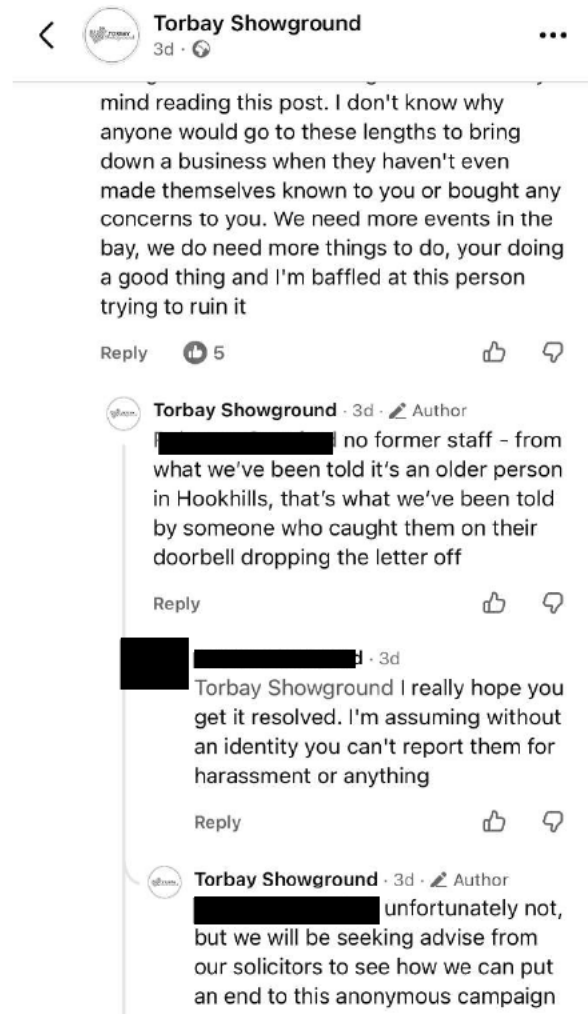
13h · 🌐 by author

What would these people want an event site or more housing? Because that would likely be the next thing so people should be careful what they wish for!!

Reply 🍷 1

1d · 🌐 by author

These people who do this hide behind their poison pen. No balls to stand up make



Torbay Showground 3d · 🌐

mind reading this post. I don't know why anyone would go to these lengths to bring down a business when they haven't even made themselves known to you or bought any concerns to you. We need more events in the bay, we do need more things to do, your doing a good thing and I'm baffled at this person trying to ruin it

Reply 👍 5

Torbay Showground · 3d · 🌐 Author

no former staff - from what we've been told it's an older person in Hookhills, that's what we've been told by someone who caught them on their doorbell dropping the letter off

Reply

3d

Torbay Showground I really hope you get it resolved. I'm assuming without an identity you can't report them for harassment or anything

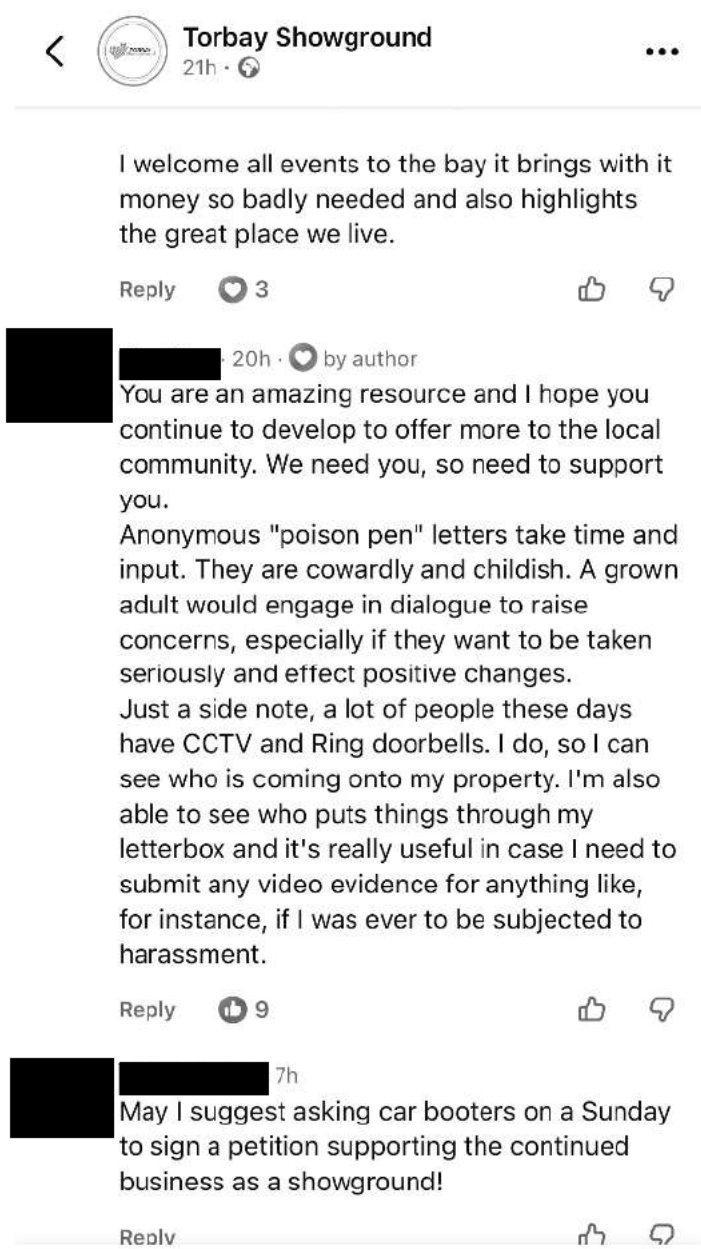
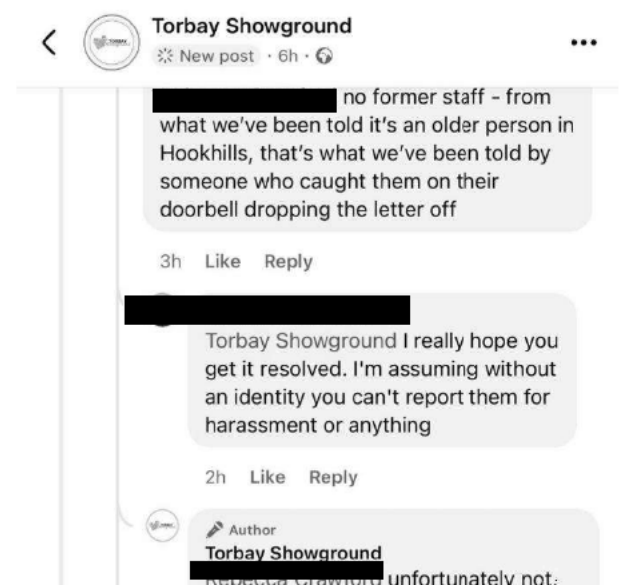
Reply

Torbay Showground · 3d · 🌐 Author

unfortunately not, but we will be seeking advise from our solicitors to see how we can put an end to this anonymous campaign

Item 2.1 continued

Screenshots of comments posted publicly beneath the Torbay Showground social media posts, in which members of the public suggest using CCTV cameras and doorbell cameras to identify residents who have raised concerns. These comments received positive engagement from the



Item 3

Screenshots of David Rowland and Sons social media posts dated 19 March 2026 and 20 March 2026, showing the change in pedestrian access guidance. The 19 March post directed pedestrians to use the top gate at Langdon Lane. The 20 March post changed this guidance and directed pedestrians to use the vehicle entrance on Brixham Road via a grass verge, noting that this route may not be suitable for wheelchair users or people with limited mobility. The post from Torbay Showground confirming the change of access is also included, showing that the blue route indicated has a crossing but no pathway to walk along once crossed.



Item 3.1

Photographs of the site access from Brixham Road showing the absence of a safe footpath or crossing point, together with photographs of the tape barrier erected along the grass verge as the pedestrian safety measure during the March 2026 fair. Also includes a comment from a member of the public raising concern about pedestrians, including families with children, walking along the roadside to access the site.



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 Torbay Showground · 20 Mar · 

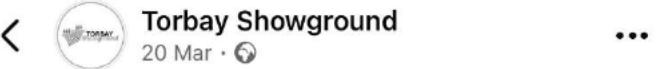

  · 1w
So there's a fair there this weekend not a car boot sale?
Reply  





 Torbay Showground · 1w ·  Author
  carboot sales don't start until 5th April
Reply  5 






  · 5d
I have also messaged the fairground but have had no response, but children and young adults are walking down Brixham Road, so I hope this is being monitored as someone is going to get hurt by walking on the main road. There are no signs telling people where to walk.
Reply  






  · w
Waves Taxis will be able to drop you. Book your lift on line now Waves.Taxi
Reply  3 






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Hold on so cars and people entering and exit via the same part.... Sounds safe Also you are surely going to cause utter mayhem and congestion on an already congested road.....
I'm sure it won't be long before the council

 Torbay Showground · 20 Mar · 

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Reply  

 Torbay Showground · 1w ·  Author
 there are security and stewards on site to manage this, and ensure all access remains safe.
Reply  

  · 1w ·  Top fan
Torbay Showground can we now enter from Brixham Road then? Living on the estate opposite, we were planning on walking until we were told yesterday we'd have to use top entrance, which just made it to far?
Reply  

 Torbay Showground · 1w ·  Author
 if you follow the blue route on Brixham Road there is a proper crossing that can be used by the end of Hunters Tor Drive, please don't try to cross from the verge directly opposite the site
Reply  

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 03 June 2026 20:55:55 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, Paignton. TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] BRIXHAM ROAD PAIGNTON TQ4 7BH |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance
The protection of children from harm

The reason for your representation:

I wish to make a representation objecting to the application by Torbay Showground Ltd for a premises licence to host a programme of entertainment events including live music, funfairs, circuses and fireworks over three weekends during July, August and September. My representation is relevant to the licensing objectives of Public Safety, Prevention of Public Nuisance, and Prevention of Crime and Disorder. I live [REDACTED] [REDACTED] the showground and have significant concerns regarding the suitability of this location for repeated large-scale entertainment events. The site is situated alongside a busy main road and, based on previous events held there, I do not believe adequate consideration has been given to the movement of large numbers of pedestrians to and from the venue. Visitors who do not park on-site are required to negotiate a dangerous road environment, and this concern is heightened where alcohol is being consumed. The prospect of individuals leaving evening events after drinking and attempting to cross a busy road close to residential properties presents an obvious risk to public safety. My concerns are reinforced by the operation of Rowlands Theme Park at the site earlier this year. The event demonstrated what appeared to be a lack of effective oversight and management. Reports of disorder occurred during the event, including a fight that attracted the attention of ride operators and staff. From my perspective, this raised questions about the competence of those managing the event and the adequacy of procedures for dealing with incidents while maintaining public safety. The proposed licence would permit a series of events over an extended period during the summer months. This is not a one-off event application but a programme of events that would repeatedly impact neighbouring residents. The noise generated by amplified

music at the March event was clearly audible within our home despite the size and construction of our property. The disturbance continued throughout the day and into the evening. Repeated events of this nature would substantially interfere with residents' ability to enjoy their homes and gardens and would therefore undermine the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance. I am also concerned that the apparent willingness to permit a variety of operators to use the site raises questions about the level of due diligence being undertaken by Torbay Showground Ltd. Based on my experience of the March event, I am not satisfied that sufficient scrutiny is being applied to ensure that event organisers are capable of managing large crowds safely and responsibly. Where alcohol, entertainment, fireworks and large numbers of people are involved, robust management standards are essential. For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Licensing Authority to give careful consideration to whether the applicant has adequately demonstrated how the licensing objectives will be promoted and protected, particularly in relation to public safety, prevention of public nuisance and prevention of crime and disorder.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?



Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

No

Uploaded Files

Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

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Full name:



Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 03 June 2026 20:43:54

Name of the premises: [REDACTED]

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: [REDACTED]

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name: [REDACTED]

Last name: [REDACTED]

Contact number: [REDACTED]

Email address: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] BRIXHAM ROAD PAIGNTON TQ4 7BH
[REDACTED]

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

The reason for your representation:

I wish to object to the application by Torbay Showground Ltd for a premises licence to permit multiple entertainment events over three weekends during July, August and September. My representation is relevant to the licensing objectives of Public Safety, Prevention of Public Nuisance, and Protection of Children from Harm. My family and I live [REDACTED] the showground. The site has traditionally been used as a car boot sale venue and has operated in a manner that has not caused significant disturbance to local residents. However, the proposed licence would fundamentally alter the nature and scale of activities taking place at the site, introducing live music events, funfairs, circuses and firework displays over a total of fifteen days across the summer months. My concerns are based not only on the potential impact of these proposed events, but also on my direct experience of Rowlands Theme Park, which operated at the showground in March 2026. During that event, I witnessed what I considered to be significant public safety failings. A fight broke out on site and, alarmingly, ride attendants left their positions to become involved in the incident, leaving young children and toddlers unattended on rides for a considerable period. This raised serious concerns regarding the management and supervision of the event and the ability of those responsible to ensure the safety of attendees. I have attached evidence of the complaint I submitted, Torbay Council's lack of meaningful response with any suggestions for improvement was disappointing. I subsequently submitted a complaint to the Council regarding the event. One of my primary concerns was the absence of adequate arrangements for pedestrians crossing the busy main road adjacent to the site. Large numbers of visitors, including families with young children and teenagers,

were required to cross a fast-moving and heavily trafficked road, with no obvious or effective traffic management measures in place. If events attracting significantly larger crowds are to be permitted, I am extremely concerned that the risks to public safety will increase further, particularly where alcohol may be available and attendees may be impaired when leaving the site. I am also concerned about the impact on local residents. During the March event, amplified music was clearly audible from inside our home from approximately midday until late evening. The noise affected our ability to enjoy our property and disrupted our young children's sleep routines. The proposed licence would allow multiple events throughout the summer, creating a prolonged and repeated nuisance for neighbouring households during a period when residents would reasonably expect to enjoy their homes, gardens and outdoor spaces. As a mother, I am particularly concerned about the protection of children from harm. The combination of large crowds, alcohol consumption, busy roads, inadequate pedestrian arrangements and previous examples of poor event management creates an environment that I do not believe adequately safeguards children. Given the concerns outlined above, I respectfully request that the Licensing Committee carefully considers whether the applicant has demonstrated that these events can be operated in a manner that upholds the licensing objectives, particularly in relation to public safety, protection of children from harm and prevention of public nuisance.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?



Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

Yes

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Evidence of complaint March 2026.pdf

Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

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Full name:



Complaint details

Your involvement

I am the complainant

Reference

N/A

Complaint details

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to raise serious concerns about Rowlands Fun Park currently operating at Torbay Showground (TQ4 7BH). We live [REDACTED] the Fun Park, my children were so excited seeing the rides arrive and being set up - we were keen to visit to support it. Can I start by saying, this is not a grievance as someone that lives close by who wants to create problems but as a mum who visited the fun park and genuinely felt unsafe and wouldn't want others to have the same experience.

I visited this evening (Friday 20th March) with my family, including my young children aged 3 and 5, and found the experience deeply unsettling from start to finish. Large groups of visitors were crossing Brixham Road in an unsafe manner, with no visible staff present to manage or supervise this. I am very concerned that, over the course of the park's stay, this poses a significant risk of a serious accident.

While on site, there was a physical altercation between a staff member operating the bumper cars and a visiting family. The situation escalated to the point where I felt it necessary to remove my child from the queue to shield her from witnessing the incident. During this time, multiple staff members left their posts to join the confrontation, leaving children unattended on rides. The situation worsened when the employed individuals involved used their large black dog in an attempt to intimidate those involved before escorting them from the site. This occurred at approximately 6pm - a time where it is completely acceptable for young families to be out without risk of witnessing such scenes.

Overall, the environment felt unsafe and inappropriate for families. What should be a welcoming local attraction instead appeared to draw disruptive behaviour, and there were noticeably few local families. As a long-term Torbay resident, I found this

Complaint details

extremely disappointing and concerning for the community.

[REDACTED]

What would you like us to do to resolve the issue?

I would like the Council to more carefully review and monitor the types of events permitted at Torbay Showground. This space has traditionally been used for family-friendly activities, such as car boot sales, and should remain a safe and welcoming environment for the local community.

I ask that greater consideration is given to the suitability of operators using this land, including their safety procedures, staffing standards, and the type of audience they attract. There should be clear expectations around supervision, public safety (particularly regarding road crossings), and behaviour management.

At present, there appears to be little benefit to the community from this event, while the risks to public safety'particularly for children and young people'are significant. I am concerned that visitors may attend expecting a safe, family-friendly experience but instead encounter disorder and potentially dangerous situations.

I would urge the Council to take steps to prevent similar situations in future.

Contact

Title

First name

[REDACTED]

Surname

[REDACTED]

Address

[REDACTED] Brixham Road

Town/City

Paignton

County

Torbay

Postcode

TQ4 7BH

Preferred contact method

Email

Email address

[REDACTED]

Contact

Phone

Mobile

Organisation

How would you describe yourself? Resident

Adjustments required by the council to make when communicating No

About this request

Issued by Torbay Council
Torbay Council
Town Hall, Castle Circus
Torquay, TQ1 3DR

Status Submitted on 20/03/2026 22:28

Request reference 19152963

Reference N/A

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 03 June 2026 21:03:34 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, Paignton, TQ4 7BH. |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] VICARAGE HILL TORQUAY TQ2 6XA [REDACTED] |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

The reason for your representation:

I wish to object to the application by Torbay Showground Ltd for a premises licence to host multiple entertainment events including live music, funfairs, circuses and firework displays over several weekends during the summer months. My representation is relevant to the licensing objectives of Public Safety, Protection of Children from Harm, and Prevention of Public Nuisance. I attended the Rowlands Theme Park event held at the showground in March 2026, I left with serious concerns about the standards of safety and supervision that were in place. I was concerned by the general atmosphere at the event and the behaviour of some attendees. Although advertised as a family attraction, there appeared to be insufficient control over behaviour and crowd management. This raises concerns regarding the prevention of crime and disorder should larger or more frequent events be permitted at the site. A further concern relates to access to and from the venue. The showground is located adjacent to a busy main road, and I observed large numbers of pedestrians crossing to reach the event. There did not appear to be adequate measures in place to ensure their safety. Families with young children, teenagers and elderly visitors were all required to navigate a road carrying fast-moving traffic. If future events involve alcohol sales, live entertainment and larger crowds, I believe the risks will increase significantly, particularly as people leave the venue later in the day. The current application proposes a substantial number of event days across several months, including activities likely to attract large crowds. Before any such licence is granted, I believe the Licensing Authority should be satisfied that robust safety measures, pedestrian management plans, crowd control procedures and safeguarding arrangements are in place and can be properly enforced. Based

on what I personally witnessed at the March event, I am not currently persuaded that sufficient evidence has been provided to demonstrate that these events can be operated in a manner that promotes public safety and adequately protects children from harm. I therefore respectfully ask the Licensing Authority to give careful consideration to these concerns when determining the application.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

[REDACTED]

Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

No

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

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Full name:

[REDACTED]

Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 04 June 2026 10:12:25

Name of the premises: Torbay Showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham Road Paignton

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

Last name:

Contact number:

Email address:

Address:

BRIXHAM ROAD PAIGNTON TQ4
7BH

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance

The reason for your representation:

"I am writing to register my representation under the Prevention of Public Nuisance objective regarding the application for Torbay Showground. The proposed 6am - midnight opening times and the 12 noon to 10:30pm outdoor music and drinking will cause significant disruption to local residents. Specifically, the noise from outdoor speakers will directly impact nearby homes on the Brixham Road that are adjacent to the Torbay Showground, disturbing sleep and peace. Furthermore, the increase in late-night foot and car traffic is highly likely to result in litter, anti-social behavior and noise from cars leaving the venue in an area that is currently a quiet residential zone. We have already had to suffer the ridiculous noise from the fair that was recently on the site. Plus most Sunday mornings we are woken at 5:00-5:30 am with the car boot people, which is another problem. "I would further wish to raise a representation under the Prevention of Crime and Disorder objective. The addition of a late-night alcohol licence at the Torbay Showground creates a high risk of increased crime in the immediate vicinity. Specifically, I am concerned about fights breaking out, drug activity and public intoxication inside and outside the premises. During the recent Fairground event there was a mass brawl that started. Furthermore my representation falls under the Public Safety objective. The layout and location of Torbay Showground present immediate safety risks to the public. There is no pavement outside the venue on Brixham Road, meaning that crowds congregating outside to wait for entry will force pedestrians, including parents with prams and wheelchair users, onto the A380 which is busy main road. Additionally, the lack of adequate street lighting poses a clear danger during dispersal hours as many people will park in Hookhills area and

be crossing the A380 late at night in the dark and most probably intoxicated.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? [REDACTED]

Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

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Full name: [REDACTED]

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 05 June 2026 06:54:31 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, (Windy Corner) |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ {uprn: [REDACTED]} |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | Public safety The prevention of public nuisance The protection of children from harm |
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| The reason for your representation: | Re: Torbay Showground Events proposed License application @ Brixham Road. Paignton, summer 2026. As a resident living very close to the site where all the proposed events will take place, I must strongly express my objection for the following reasons: PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM There is no legal footpath for pedestrians to access the site just a grass track running adjacent to the ring road with a line of plastic tape dividing it from the busy road. After witnessing the fairground events earlier this year, I was horrified to see people with pushchairs and children dodging between cars and even walking along the ring road itself in order to get to the site. If this proposal and subsequent license is granted, I fear there will be at some point a dreadful accident. PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE The noise, earlier this year from the fairground was dreadful. Strobe lights lighting up our homes, people screaming on the rides all accompanied by constant music underlined by a deep bass rhythm. Hookhills is a residential area and I cannot believe that Torbay Council would inflict this on its residents. To think we would have to endure from July through to September with all of the proposed events taking place is totally unacceptable and I sincerely hope that the planning committee sees sense and turns this proposal down. |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | No |
| Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation | No |

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder. 1

Full name:



Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 07 June 2026 15:07:16 |
| Name of the premises: | TORBAY SHOWGROUND |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | TORBAY SHOWGROUND LTD. Brixham Road, Paignton. |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
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| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] Tor Close, Paignton. TQ4 6LB TQ46LB {uprn: -1} |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of crime and disorder Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | <p>Having lived at Tor Close, Paignton for over 30 years I have seen the volume of traffic increase considerably. The Showgrounds entrance is on the busy single lane A3022 at Windy Corner. This venue is not suitable for events of this size and mixing it with alcohol sales could cause serious implications for participants and other road users when leaving the show ground. I personally have witnessed traffic congestion and road rage from a motorist on leaving the site, after visiting the fair which was there this March, and entering the very narrow Langdon Lane, with total disregard to me travelling in the opposite direction, nearly collided with my vehicle, just because the driver didn't look left when pulling out onto the road. I sounded my horn and got a torrid of abuse and hand gestures from the driver. This was someone leaving an event where alcohol wasn't being provided! Langdon Lane is also very narrow with no pedestrian footpath making it dangerous for pedestrians at all times but even more so if regular events are using this piece of road as there main exit. Also this extra traffic will cause even more hold ups and congestion at the already congested Windy Corner junction. Also I am concerned with the extra noise generated by these events as for two weekends this March 2026 residents had to put up with loud music, noise and screaming coming from the fair. I found this noise intolerable and made a complaint to the Council which was acknowledged. With regards to this application I respectfully request that the licensing authority carefully considers the impact on the road capabilities, residential amenities and the wider local impact and does NOT support this application.</p> |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | No |
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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder. 1

Full name:



Open application 073534 which is a New Application for Premises Licence

Address: Brixham Road, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 7BH

Type of application: Grant of premises licence

Last date for representations: 10 June 2026

I would object to the grant of this Licence on a number of Grounds.

I believe that the premises suggested are totally inappropriate for this type of purpose due to their proximity to the Urban Area of Hookhills, Galmpton and White Rock and the newly built Inglewood development adjacent to the proposed site; and the access and egress to the site from the Paignton Road. This is not a site like Glastonbury set out in the wildes but a place adjacent to 4 major urban areas (Galmpton, White Rock, Hookhills and Inglewood).

I note that the application assumes a footfall of 2000 people. There is no easy access to public transport so it is likely that the majority of attendees will arrive by car. The problem there will be parking which will fill local roads on Hookhills and Whiterock Estates and Galmpton and Inglewood, which of themselves are not designed for such parking thereby creating a public nuisance. If there is to be on site parking then there will be congestion on a main road with access and egress from the site. I believe that for so many cars, which may approach up to 1000 a proper entrance/exit splay would be necessary. Such an amount of vehicle movements at the start of an evening and at the end would create a public nuisance on a major road. Additionally if public transport is used a considerable walk will be necessary over a road which is a single carriageway A road with no footway. The consequences will be lethal and I am sure will give rise to public safety issues. The present use as a funfair and car boot sale ground does not have up to 2000 people attending.

I note the Torbay Council's Statement of Principles 2026-2031 and would draw your attention to the following:-

1.3 The five key aims to support and promote good practice. These are:

- *Protecting the public and local residents from crime, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance caused by irresponsible licensed premises;*

- *Encouraging greater community involvement in licensing decisions and giving local residents the opportunity to have their say regarding licensing decisions that may impact upon them.*

The first must include safety for pedestrians and road users and locals and the second the consideration of the proximity and times applied for on the communities of Hookhills, White Rock Galmpton and Inglewood

1.4 The Authority acknowledges the important role which...licensed premises play in both tourism and in local communities. The Authority therefore believes that providing licensed premises operate as compliant, well-regulated businesses and that their management act responsibly in promoting the licensing objectives; they make a positive contribution towards building local communities and supporting cultural development and Torbay's tourism offer. It is also important to appreciate that alcohol does play an important and inherent role within the leisure and entertainment industry.

This application by virtue of the timing and proximity to urban areas will not make a positive contribution towards the local community

1.11. The Authority recognises its responsibilities to individuals under the European Convention on Human Rights, set out by the Human Rights Act 1998, and its statutory role as a Licensing Authority to fulfil the duties and responsibilities vested in it.

Article 8 H R A: Gives a Right to respect for private and family life. With the proximity of this site to the Urban areas and with children trying to sleep their private and family life will not be respected.

1.19 In general, all premises which are the subject of a licensing application should have the benefit of planning permission or be deemed permitted development. Licensing and Planning are separate regimes but consents from both must be in place to operate legally.

I believe that this site has no specific Planning Permission. But is working under the normal 28 day allowance for agricultural p[remises]. As such and to comply with its Planning situation will the licencing committee restrict the use to 28 days so as to require compliance with this planning matter.

2.6 'Special Risk Entertainment' events, are events that incorporate any of the following activities for the entertainment or attraction of the public:

- c) *the installation of strobe or laser equipment;*
- d) *the use of special effects such as pyrotechnics (Fireworks) or the introduction to any area occupied by the public of naked flame or any material, vapour, liquid, foam or novelty foodstuff;*

It is usual with the events envisaged that some sort of strobe lighting. Laser lighting or pyrotechnics will be used during the times permitted up to 10 30 at night within a proximity of residential homes

Schedule 3 The Licensing Objectives

The Act sets out four licensing objectives which the Licensing Authority has a duty to promote when carrying out its licensing function, namely:

- *Public Safety*
- *The Prevention of Public Nuisance*

With these objectives I can not see how a decision to grant this application could comply with this objective. Public safety in arriving and leaving the venue would be grossly impeded and with the proximity of the urban areas and the potential for noise and lighting and pyrotechnics this objective could not be achieved.

PUBLIC SAFETY

3.2

a) *The adequacy of measures proposed to deal with the promotion of public safety and in particular, the steps taken by, or the proposals of, the applicant to:*

- (i) *To assess the risks to the public, staff and others associated with operating the premises or event in accordance with their submitted operating schedule and measures implemented to reduce those risks.*
- (ii) *To provide adequate facilities for people or performers with disabilities and to ensure their safety.*
- (iii) *To ensure that the number of people, staff and performers, present in the premises or at the event can be safely evacuated in the case of emergency and that adequate access arrangements exist to permit the attendance of emergency vehicles, if required.*

- (iv) *To ensure adequate staff training has been undertaken to deal with emergencies. To indicate the frequency that such training will be updated and the method of maintaining staff training records to demonstrate that regular training has taken place.*
- (v) *To maintain controlled entry to the premises or event and establish the maximum number of persons who are occupying the premises or event at any time (see Appendix 3 for further information).*
- (vi) *To determine what the views are of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, as the lead Authority with regard to all of the four Licensing Objectives, in the case of an application for a premises licence in respect of a passenger vessel.*

Bearing in mind the numbers required (2000), the ingress and access to the site, the main road with no footway, any potential noise and lighting in an urban area it will be impossible to achieve public safety.

THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

3.7

a) The adequacy of measures proposed to deal with the potential for public nuisance and in particular the steps taken by, or proposals of, the applicant to:

- (i) *To prevent noise and vibration escaping from the premises or open-air sites, including music, noise from ventilation equipment and human voices. Such measures may include the installation of soundproofing, air conditioning, acoustic lobbies and sound limitation devices.*

This will be impossible for an open air venue close to residential properties

- (ii) *To manage the outside spaces,which are within the direct control of the Premises Licence Holder, to prevent noise from patrons and entertainment creating a public nuisance to nearby neighbours.*

This will be impossible to do at this venue

- (iii) *To prevent disturbance by patrons arriving at or leaving the premises, or in the vicinity of the premises.....*

There will be severe congestion on a major road and safety issues

- (iv) *To prevent queuing, or, if queuing is inevitable, to divert queues away from neighbouring premises or otherwise manage the queue to prevent disturbance or obstruction.*

This will be queuing on a major road unless adequate measures are taken to alleviate this

- (v) *To consider the cumulative effect from multiple one-off events giving rise to public nuisance*

There is no PP for anything other than 28 days. An increase would cause severe nuisance to the area

- (vi) *To ensure that staff leave the premises quietly.*
- (vii) *To evaluate whether taxis, private hire or other vehicles serving the premises are likely to disturb local residents and/or people staying in nearby holiday accommodation.*

This will be inevitable with people waiting for lifts on the major trunk road with no footway.

- (viii) *To evaluate whether routes to or from the premises on foot or by car, or for service or delivery vehicles, pass residential premises and holiday accommodation and if so, the effect this may have on such properties.*

routes to or from the premises on foot or by car, or for service or delivery vehicles, will pass residential premises and holiday accommodation and the effect will be devastating in noise and congestion

- (ix) *To prepare, implement and oversee, as appropriate, policies regarding dispersal of customers, queue management, smoking areas and outside spaces.*

There will have to be considerable improvements to the entrance and exit of the site

- (x) *To prevent disturbance from light arising from security devices, floodlighting, advertising lighting or any special effect lighting.*
This should include vehicle lights as vehicles leave the site
- (xi) *To prevent noxious fumes from causing a nuisance to occupants of nearby residential and commercial premises or land.*

Vehicle exhausts for large quantities of vehicles will affect the house around and opposite the fields

- (xii) *To determine whether the premises would result in increased refuse storage or disposal problems, or whether additional litter from or in the vicinity of the premises could cumulatively cause public nuisance.*

Would the refuse be removed at the end of the evening or would it be stored for a time causing a public nuisance.

- (xiii) *To implement where appropriate, the outcomes of consultations held between the applicant and Torbay Council's Licensing & Public Protection Team in respect of the application and submitted operating schedule.*

It would be necessary to require appropriate schedules for administering the site and removing waste etc. so as to make sure that there was no nuisance

- b) *The Authority advocates working with businesses, with the shared aim of providing a more business friendly and vibrant economy, however, **accepts that it equally has a responsibility to its residents.** To aid in the process, Appendix 3 gives further advice relating to public nuisance that businesses, new or existing, may wish to consider when making an application or preparing for an event. This should aid both the business and the Authority to ensure there is a common understanding of what is proposed and what the impacts might be. That contained within Appendix 3, should help town operating schedule tailored to the type, nature and characteristics of the specific premises and its neighbourhood.*

The grant of this licence without severe and stringent rules with regard to access and egress of the site and noise and light pollution and removal of waste would be a negligent action on behalf of the authority.

Conclusion

This is primarily an agricultural site which has of late been used for a Sunday car boot sale up until lunch time, a South West Water bottled water supply depot until early evening and a one off funfair which usually is more conveniently situated on Paignton Green but this year could not be there as there is construction works on Paignton Green. I am sure that the funfair is best suited as a tourist attraction on Paignton Green and should return there once the construction works have finished,

This application envisages 6 days a week (Monday to Saturday) opening at 06.00 and closing at 00.00 with activities between 12.00 and 22.30. This is a gross increase in what has gone before and by virtue of its location adjacent to many residential houses and areas; with then lack of a proper planning permission and the difficult access and exit onto a main arterial road would be a most inappropriate place for the licence applied for.

I would object to this application for then reasons given

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Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 07 June 2026 15:43:29 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Torbay Showground Brixham Road Paignton TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
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Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | <p>Please see Doc 1 that details fully my objections. Docs 2 and 3 provide supporting information. The following is a summary: I am objecting to Torbay Showground Ltd's premises licence application because I believe it would have a significant and unacceptable impact on nearby residents. I am concerned that there has been no engagement with those of us who live closest to the site and would be most affected by the proposed activities. In my view, local residents were not adequately informed about the application or given a proper opportunity to comment before an extensive programme of events was planned. A major concern for me is that the number and nature of events already being advertised appear to go beyond the limits described in the licence application. Although the application refers to a small number of events involving live or recorded music, there are multiple events planned across much of the summer, affecting several weekends. I am also concerned that some advertised events appear inconsistent with the proposed licence conditions, including events running over several consecutive days and at least one event scheduled to continue overnight. The site is located very close to residential properties, including my own home, and I believe the proposed programme would create significant noise, light and traffic disturbance. Based on my experience of a previous fairground event at the site, I am concerned that amplified music, fairground rides, tannoy announcements, generators, vehicle movements and crowd noise will be clearly audible within nearby homes. During previous events, I found the noise intrusive enough to affect my ability to use my garden, keep windows open and enjoy my property normally. I am also concerned about light pollution from rides, stage lighting and other event infrastructure, as well as increased traffic congestion and parking problems on surrounding roads. Overall, I believe the cumulative effect of repeated events throughout the summer</p> |
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would result in a substantial loss of residential amenity. The combination of noise, lighting, traffic and crowd activity would significantly reduce my ability to enjoy my home and garden, particularly during the warmer months. For these reasons, I consider that the application fails to meet the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance, and I respectfully request that the Licensing Authority refuse the application.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?



Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

Yes

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DOC1 -Objection to Torbay Showground Licence Application 31.5.26.docx
DOC 2 Programme of Events - Torbay Showground licence application no 073534.docx
Doc 3. Visual disturbance - Torbay Showground licence application no 073534.docx

Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

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Full name:



To: Licensing Department, Torbay Council

Re: Representation Objecting to the Torbay Showground Premises Licence Application - 073534

We wish to **formally object** to the premises licence application submitted by Torbay Showground LTD for the provision of regulated entertainment, live music, associated events, and related activities at the site.

The concerns set out below are based both on the contents of the application and on our direct experience of previous events held at the site. They include:

1. Lack of engagement with residents
2. Non-compliance with the conditions of the application
3. The sites proximity to residential properties
4. Noise intrusion
5. Light intrusion and visual impact
6. Traffic, parking and highways
7. Loss of residential amenity

1. LACK OF ENGAGEMENT WITH RESIDENTS

It is disappointing that there has been no engagement or consultation by the representatives of Torbay Showground LTD with residents directly affected by this application to change the usage of the site formally known as the car boot sale site.

Those living closest to the site will bear the greatest impact of the proposed activities and should have been actively consulted before the application for the licence was submitted and before such an extensive program of events was planned.

The notices to inform interested parties that this application is made have not been displayed in places where the people who are most affected can read them. We have not seen the notice in the local press and the notice has not been shared on Torbay Showground LTD's social media platform – which is where they advertise their events.

The people who are most affected by this application have not been made aware that it has been submitted. If you don't receive many objections to the application, this is why. It's not that people don't object, it's that they are not aware that they can.

2. NON- COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF THE APPLICATION

2.1 Number of events planned

A particular concern is the apparent discrepancy between the scope of the licence application and the number of events that are proposed to take place under it.

The conditions of the application clearly state under 'prevention of public nuisance' that events that use live or recorded music should be limited to 4 per year. Please see **DOC 2- Programme of events**– which details the timetable of events currently advertised to take place at the site.

A major concern is the cumulative impact of the number of events proposed.

The applicants have advertised multiple entertainment events across the summer period. We can see from the advertisements that there are seven separate events planned to take place on fifteen days, affecting seven weekends during the summer period, with potential for further events to be added.

This cannot reasonably be described as occasional use of the site.

The proposed program represents a sustained period of disruption throughout much of the summer. The cumulative effect of the planned events across seven weekends represents a substantially greater impact than residents would reasonably expect from an application limiting the site to four events per year.

The planned events would result in prolonged and repeated disturbance throughout much of the summer, significantly reducing residents' ability to enjoy their homes, gardens and outdoor spaces.

2.2 Duration of events

The conditions of the application clearly state under 'prevention of public nuisance' that events that use live or recorded music should be limited 2 consecutive days.

The Circus is advertised is to be on site for 10 days in July. Showings are timetabled to take place in two blocks; the first on 3 consecutive days and then following a short break a further 4 consecutive days of performances.

The Circus plays recorded music throughout its performance and so this event is in breach of the conditions of the application.

2.3 Event timings

We also have concerns regarding compliance with event timings and operational restrictions.

The application clearly states that the site will only operate between the hours of 6am and midnight. One of the proposed events is scheduled to continue overnight. This is entirely inappropriate given the site's proximity to residential dwellings.

The inclusion of an **overnight event** materially increases the severity of the impact and demonstrates that the application is not simply seeking permission for occasional daytime community events.

The application clearly states that the events will end at 10.30pm.

Many of the events planned do not advertise the proposed end times. Once crowds begin arriving and leaving, noise impacts will continue beyond advertised finish times through vehicle movements, crowd dispersal and site operations.

2.4 Noise Intrusion.

The conditions laid down in ‘prevention of public nuisance’ under the section relating to noise:

‘Noise from the premises should not be audible within any noise sensitive premise (ie dwelling) with windows open for normal ventilation’

The recent fairground event caused significant noise intrusion and disturbance to our household. (see section 4). All of the events planned have Live or recorded music, the Rev-Fest ‘celebrates the roar of engines – with a **‘Rev-Off’ – where passion meets decibels.**’

With the exception of the Circus and the overnight Camp Out, all other events advertise a fairground in addition to the playing of Live Music.

Torbay Showground LTD are clearly not intending to operate within the restrictions of the licence. The disregard they have already shown with regard to compliance with the conditions means that we cannot assume that they will comply with the other conditions of the licence. (Noise, public safety, Sale of Alcohol)

3. THE SITES PROXIMITY TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES



Images taken from Torbay Showground Face Book page – demonstrates the sites proximity to a large number of residential properties.

The proposed event site is located in very close proximity to established residential dwellings, including our own property. The scale, frequency and nature of the events proposed are incompatible with the reasonable expectation of residents to peacefully enjoy their homes and gardens particularly during the summer months.

The site is situated down gradient of the Hookhills Estate, with the land rising towards nearby housing. The prevailing wind direction is from the southwest, ie from the site towards the residential area. Due to the topography of the area, noise and lighting impacts travel directly towards residential properties. In our view, any screening measures that may be proposed are unlikely to be effective because of the elevated position of nearby homes and the limited vegetation separating the site from residential areas.

The site is a large and rectangular space. However events are configured within the site boundaries, residential properties remain extremely close to event activities and will inevitably be affected.

4. NOISE INTRUSION

The planned programme of proposed events includes recorded and live music, food and drink sales, entertainment attractions, fairground rides, a Circus and 'rev fest', all of which will undoubtedly create significant noise nuisance.

Noise disturbance is not limited to performances themselves. We are concerned about:

- Amplified music and bass frequencies
- Fairground rides, associated sound systems, people screaming whilst on rides.

- Public address systems and tannoy announcements
- Generators and event infrastructure
- Vehicle movements entering and leaving the site
- Crowds arriving and dispersing late into the evening
- People shouting and congregating on surrounding roads when leaving events

The prevailing wind direction frequently carries sound from the site towards nearby residential dwellings, increasing the impact of amplified entertainment and crowd noise.

Our previous experience with the fairground that was held at the site in March 2026 gives us serious concerns that the noise generated by these planned activities will exceed acceptable levels for a site situated so close to residential properties.

This will be in breach of the conditions laid down in 'prevention of public nuisance' under the section relating to noise:

'Noise from the premises should not be audible within any noise sensitive premise (ie dwelling) with windows open for normal ventilation'

The fairground (over 9 days including 2 weekends) caused significant disturbance to our household. Music, tannoy announcements, fairground rides, people screaming, generators, traffic and crowd noise could all be heard clearly inside our property, even with doors and windows closed. Low-frequency bass noise was particularly intrusive and could be physically felt within the property.

The fairground event required us to remain indoors, close windows and alter the normal use of our home and garden (It was not possible to hold a conversation in our garden without raising our voices to be heard) due to excessive noise. This would be significantly worse over the summer months when we would need to have our windows open for ventilation and would like to use our garden.

5. LIGHT INTRUSION AND VISUAL IMPACT

Previous fairground events at the site caused substantial light intrusion into our property. **See DOC 3 – Visual Disturbance.**

Flashing lights from rides and attractions shone directly into rooms within our home and remained visible through windows during evening hours. The proposed events include fairground attractions, laser light shows and entertainment infrastructure which are likely to generate similar or greater impacts.

The planned programme of events includes events extending into evening and overnight periods. The use of floodlighting, ride lighting, stage lighting, security lighting and vehicle lighting will significantly affect neighbouring residents.

We should not be expected to endure flashing lights and illumination entering bedrooms and living spaces.

6. TRAFFIC, PARKING AND HIGHWAY IMPACTS

The application will generate significant additional traffic on roads that are already heavily congested especially during the summer season.

Traffic entering and exiting the site regularly backs up towards the Windy Corner and Brixham Road, which already experiences substantial seasonal traffic associated with beach visitors and tourism.

Previous events have demonstrated the difficulties associated with managing vehicle movements at the site, with traffic backing up beyond the roundabout towards Lidl.

We are concerned that attendees will seek to avoid on-site parking charges and congestion when entering and leaving the site, by parking in surrounding residential roads. This will

increase parking pressure on nearby streets and create further disruption for residents attempting to access and park near to their homes.

There is also concern that drivers will use surrounding residential roads as alternative routes to avoid queues, increasing traffic volumes and road safety risks within residential areas.

7. LOSS OF RESIDENTIAL AMENITY

The cumulative effect of noise, lighting, traffic, crowd activity and event frequency is a substantial loss of residential amenity.

During previous events we were unable to use our garden, keep windows open, or enjoy our property without disturbance.

This is particularly significant during summer months when residents naturally spend more time outdoors and require ventilation due to warm weather. Many gardens are either south or west facing and face towards the site.

We should not be expected to modify their daily lives, alter their routines, or lose the reasonable enjoyment of their homes in order to accommodate repeated commercial entertainment events.

To conclude:

The nature, scale and frequency of events advertised to take place at the site over the coming months go beyond the conditions of the licence applied for by Torbay Showground LTD.

Even if the events planned were limited to the number allowed by the application (four) We consider that the applicant would fail to meet the licensing objective of 'preventing public nuisance' and so therefore should be refused.

The Licensing Authority should assess the application on the basis of its cumulative impact over the whole summer period. When viewed in this way, the proposal represents a significant and ongoing public nuisance and repeated disturbance for neighbouring residents rather than a limited number of isolated events.

When considering this application, I ask the Licensing Authority to look beyond the headline description of the events and consider the actual impact on neighbouring residents. In practice, the proposal would result in entertainment events occurring across seven weekends, involving live and recorded music, festivals, fairground attractions, a Circus; with amplified noise, traffic congestion, lighting intrusion and extended operating hours. The cumulative impact of these

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DOC1 – Objection

activities is far greater than that suggested by the application and would fundamentally alter the character of what is otherwise a quiet and peaceful residential area.

There is a blatant disregard shown by Torbay Showground LTD towards compliance with the conditions of the licence regarding prevention of public nuisance, which means that you cannot assume that they will comply with the other conditions relating to Noise, public safety, Sale of Alcohol.

This application is not made in the spirit of creating opportunities for the community, it is to allow an intensive programme of commercial entertainment activities and the cost of residential amenity for those living nearby.

Please also bear in mind that there are other sites across Torbay that very successfully put on these types of events; Lupton House, Torbay Party Barn, Torre Abbey, Paignton Green, Cockington Court. Given the relative proximity of other suitable venues, an additional site is not needed.

We request that the Licensing Authority refuses to grant this licence application.

Details of the licence applied for:

1. Perform live music
2. Play recorded music
3. Performance of Dance
4. Entertainment of a similar description to performance of live music, playing recorded music or performance of dance.
5. Sell Alcohol for consumption on the premises

Operating hours

Site open 6am to midnight – 7 days a week

Events between 12 noon to 10.30 pm

Conditions: Prevention of public nuisance.

- Live and recorded music events restricted to 4 per year (max 2 consecutive days)
- Noise should not emanate from the premises so as to disturb the neighbours – should not be audible within a dwelling with windows open for ventilation.
- LOUD SPEAKER must broadcast 30 mins before the end of the event.

| Event no | Date | Event | Advertised to be | Issues presented |
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| 1 | 4/7/26 10.30am to 9.30pm | Rev- fest | 'Roar of engines meets rhythm of live music'. Rev fest Rev off – high performance engines rev off – passion meets decibels and the crowd decides the champion. Live music and entertainment. | Event begins before the licence allows Will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise. |

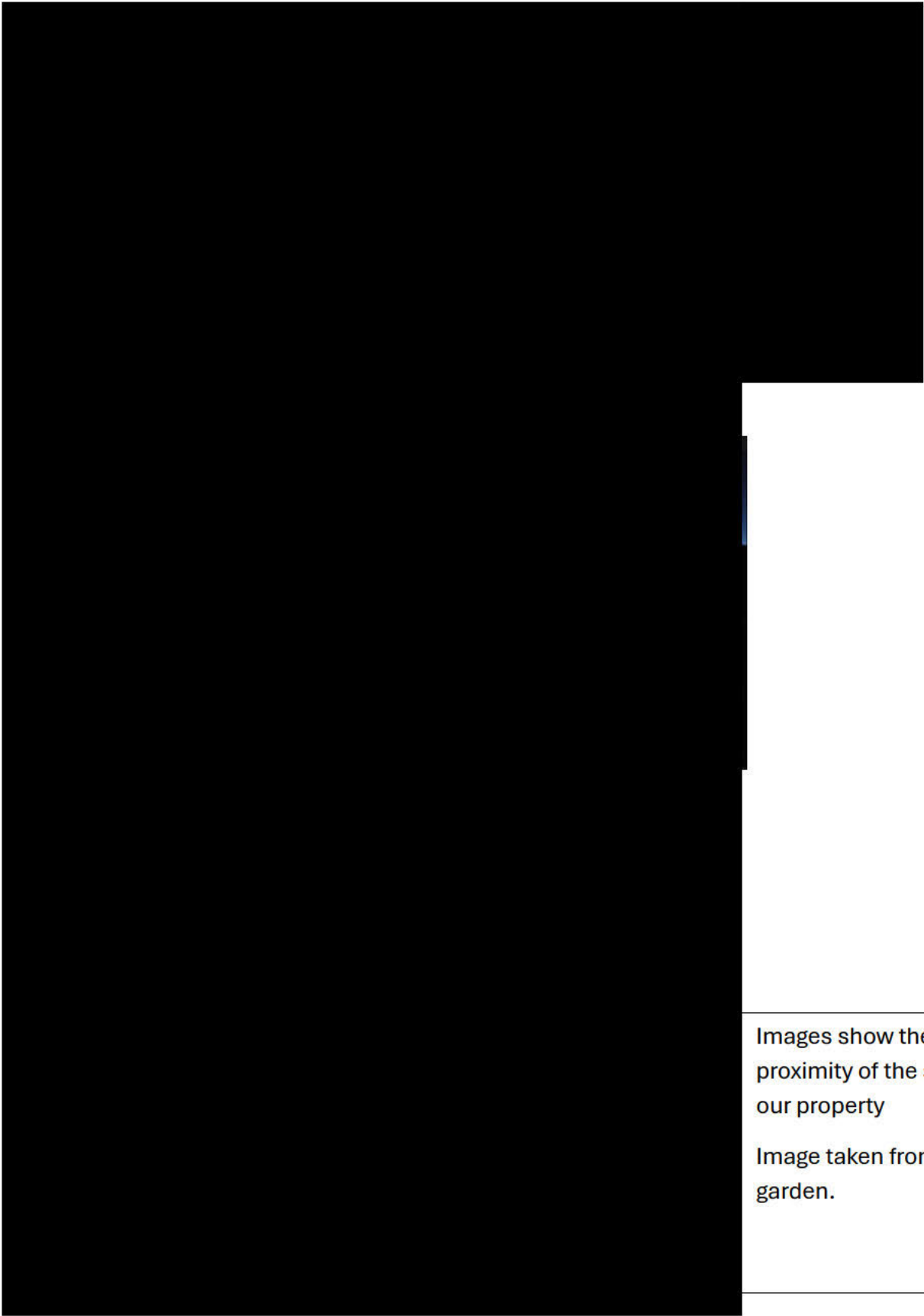
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| 2 and 3 ? | 10/7/26 | Paulos Circus | 1 performance | Recorded music will be played during the performances. Multiple performances on most days, leading to additional traffic congestion. Circus is run on 3 consecutive days and then 4 consecutive days which is in breach of conditions of the licence which limit events to 2 consecutive days |
| | 11/7/26 | | 3 performances | |
| | 12/7/26 | | 2 performances | |
| | 16/7/26 | | 1 performance | |
| | 17/7/26 | | 2 performances | |
| | 18/7/26 | | 2 performances | |
| | 19/7/26 | | 2 performances | |
| 3 | 8/8/26 12 noon to 10pm | This Ain't Texas Festival | Full on American country and western experience. Tribute Acts – Live music Line dancing Axe throwing Whiskey stalls Fun fair | This event will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise. Issues with traffic congestion |
| 4 | 9/8/26 12 noon – 6pm | Fam- Fest | Tribute Acts – live music Adrenaline pumping activities Live entertainment and sing a longs Inflatable theme park Funfair thrill rides Whether you are running wild, screaming on a ride, singing at the top of your lungsthis is the festival you have been waiting for. | This event will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise. Issues with traffic congestion |

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| 5 | <p>21/8/26 3pm to overnight 22/8/26</p> <p>? close time</p> | VW Camp out | <p>Overnight camping Live music Bar Large gathering of VW enthusiasts. Campfires</p> <p>No indication what time this event finishes but billed as a weekend of fun</p> | <p>This event is overnight – which does not comply with the site opening times of 6 am to Midnight as detailed in the application</p> <p>No indication of what time the music will end on 21st August.</p> <p>This event will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise.</p> <p>Campfires; issues for neighbours with smoke and potential for fire risk.</p> <p>Issues with traffic congestion.</p> |
| 6 | <p>28/8/26 29/8/26</p> <p>4pm – 10 pm on Friday Noon to 10pm on Saturday</p> | Riviera Tribute Festival | <p>‘In your back yard this bank holiday weekend’</p> <p>Tribute acts - Live music Timeless classics and crowd pleasing anthems</p> <p>Festival bars</p> <p>For extra thrills; enjoy the funfair</p> <p>Onsite parking – charged at £6 per day</p> | <p>Cars will avoid parking charges by parking in residential area, resending further issues with traffic congestion.</p> <p>This event will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise.</p> |

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| 7 | 26/9/26 10pm start | Illuminate the night | <p>A vibrant nighttime experience packed with spectacular visuals and thrilling attractions. Expect fireworks, immersive laser shows, high energy performances that bring the atmosphere to life.</p> <p>Funfair, street food and LED robots, fire breathers.</p> <p>Onsite bars. The perfect place... to make a night of it.</p> | <p>This event is advertised to start at 10 pm which means that to comply with the opening times on the application the event must end 30 minutes later.</p> <p>Issues with traffic congestion.</p> <p>Noise and visual disturbance for residents . This event will breach conditions relating to prevention of public nuisance relating to noise.</p> <p>See DOC 3 Visual disturbance from previous fairground in March.</p> |
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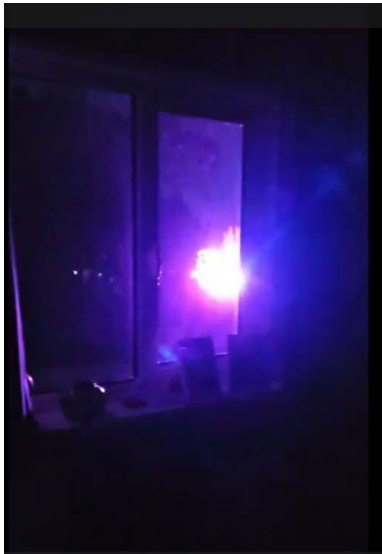
Torbay Showground LTD– Licence application Number 073534
DOC 3 - Visual disturbance

Visual disturbance experienced during the fairground in March 2026 – images of exterior and interior of our home.

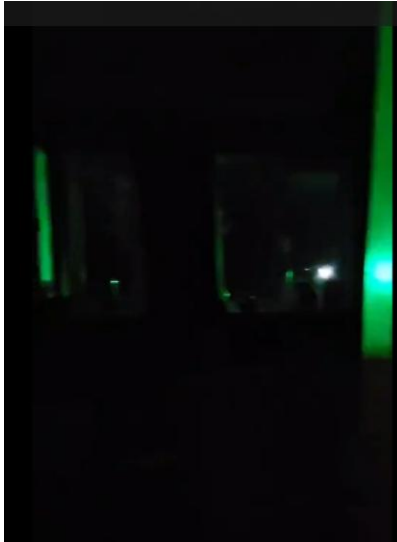


Images show the proximity of the site to our property

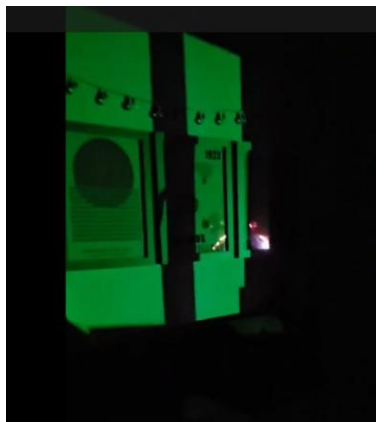
Image taken from our garden.



Fairground lights
from inside the
property



Reflecting off
interior doors.



Lights on
interior walls –
the fairground
rides reflecting
in the glass in
the pictures

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 08 June 2026 13:15:10 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham toad(windy Corner) |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] Hound Tor Close Paignton TQ4 7SJ {uprn: -1} |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | <p>Having experienced first hand knowledge of the so called " Torbay showground " when they had what I think was an unlicensed 10 day fair it was horrendous only meters away from houses on the Brixham Road and in very close proximity to the Hunters tor estate up to Hookhills Road where the noise reverberated along with strobe lighting flashing round the rooms ! The noise made sitting in the garden impossible. This is not a case of NIMBY it should be in no one's back yard ! It was enough to make me ill through panic and worry that this might be a permanent fixture enough that I left home for 3 days! There should be no music on this particular field too close to housing and the problem of sound carrying over quite some distance we already have a fairground in Paignton Access to the site is also compromised in that the Brixham Road used as an entrance is often blocked as a standard making the passage of emergency services at the least difficult and at worst impassible ! With the added queuing of fairground traffic this alone should make the licence application untenable. The exit through a quiet village is also badly thought out . Parking in the local streets when the quota of cars is reached /don't want to pay for parking will cause more problems to the local residents. The new housing estate which is not yet complete will be adding yet more to the Brixham Road as well yet putting more houses in close proximity to the field in question. This application should fail on so many levels and it would be nice ti see for once that the residents of the area do not have their everyday lives ruined and road users / emergency services are not put at risk through congestion and inconsiderate parking though a purely money making idea that has no use for local residents. This application should fail.</p> |
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Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?



Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

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Full name:



Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 09 June 2026 11:41:12

Name of the premises: Torbay Showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham Road, Paignton

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

Last name:

Contact number:

Email address:

Address:

BRIXHAM ROAD PAIGNTON TQ4
7BH

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

The prevention of crime and disorder
Public safety
The prevention of public nuisance

The reason for your representation:

Open application 073534 which is a New Application for Premises Licence Address: Brixham Road, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 7BH Type of application: Grant of premises licence Last date for representations: 10 June 2026 I would object to the grant of this Licence on a number of Grounds. I believe that the premises suggested are totally inappropriate for this type of purpose due to their proximity to the Urban Area of Hookhills, Galmpton and White Rock and the newly built Inglewood development adjacent to the proposed site; and the access and egress to the site from the Paignton Road. This is not a site like Glastonbury set out in the wildes but a place adjacent to 4 major urban areas (Galmpton, White Rock, Hookhills and Inglewood). I note that the application assumes a footfall of 2000 people. There is no easy access to public transport so it is likely that the majority of attendees will arrive by car. The problem there will be parking which will fill local roads on Hookhills and Whiterock Estates and Galmpton and Inglewood, which of themselves are not designed for such parking thereby creating a public nuisance. If there is to be on site parking then there will be congestion on a main road with access and egress from the site. I believe that for so many cars, which may approach up to 1000 a proper entrance/exit splay would be necessary. Such an amount of vehicle movements at the start of an evening and at the end would create a public nuisance on a major road. Additionally if public transport is used a considerable walk will be necessary over a road which is a single carriageway A road with no footway. The consequences will be lethal and I am sure will give rise to public safety issues. The present use as a funfair and car boot sale ground does not have up to 2000 people attending. I note the Torbay Council's Statement of Principles 2026-2031 and would draw your attention to the following:- 1.3 The five key

aims to support and promote good practice. These are: • Protecting the public and local residents from crime, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance caused by irresponsible licensed premises; • Encouraging greater community involvement in licensing decisions and giving local residents the opportunity to have their say regarding licensing decisions that may impact upon them. The first must include safety for pedestrians and road users and locals and the second the consideration of the proximity and times applied for on the communities of Hookhills, White Rock Galmpton and Inglewood 1.4 The Authority acknowledges the important role which...licensed premises play in both tourism and in local communities. The Authority therefore believes that providing licensed premises operate as compliant, well-regulated businesses and that their management act responsibly in promoting the licensing objectives; they make a positive contribution towards building local communities and supporting cultural development and Torbay's tourism offer. It is also important to appreciate that alcohol does play an important and inherent role within the leisure and entertainment industry. This application by virtue of the timing and proximity to urban areas will not make a positive contribution towards the local community 1.11. The Authority recognises its responsibilities to individuals under the European Convention on Human Rights, set out by the Human Rights Act 1998, and its statutory role as a Licensing Authority to fulfil the duties and responsibilities vested in it. Article 8 H R A: Gives a Right to respect for private and family life. With the proximity of this site to the Urban areas and with children trying to sleep their private and family life will not be respected. 1.19 In general, all premises which are the subject of a licensing application should have the benefit of planning permission or be deemed permitted development. Licensing and Planning are separate regimes but consents from both must be in place to operate legally. I believe that this site has no specific Planning Permission. But is working under the normal 28 day allowance for agricultural p[remises]. As such and to comply with its Planning situation will the licencing committee restrict the use to 28 days so as to require compliance with this planning matter. 2.6 'Special Risk Entertainment' events, are events that incorporate any of the following activities for the entertainment or attraction of the public: c) the installation of strobe or laser equipment; d) the use of special effects such as pyrotechnics (Fireworks) or the introduction to any area occupied by the public of naked flame or any material, vapour, liquid, foam or novelty foodstuff; It is usual with the events envisaged that some sort of strobe lighting. Laser lighting or pyrotechnics will be used during the times permitted up to 10 30 at night within a proximity of residential homes Schedule 3 The Licensing Objectives The Act sets out four licensing objectives which the Licensing Authority has a duty to promote when carrying out its licensing function, namely: • Public Safety • The Prevention of Public Nuisance With these objectives I can not see how a decision to grant this application could comply with this objective. Public safety in arriving and leaving the venue would be grossly impeded and with the proximity of the urban areas and the potential for noise and lighting and pyrotechnics this objective could not be achieved. PUBLIC SAFETY 3.2 a) The adequacy of measures proposed to deal with the promotion of public safety and in particular, the steps taken by, or the proposals of, the applicant to: (i) To assess the risks to the public, staff and others associated with operating the premises or event in accordance with their submitted operating schedule and measures implemented to reduce those risks. (ii) To provide adequate facilities for people or performers with disabilities and to ensure their safety. (iii) To ensure that the number of people, staff and performers, present in the premises or at the event can be safely evacuated in the case of emergency and that adequate access arrangements exist to permit the attendance of emergency vehicles, if required. (iv) To ensure adequate staff training has been undertaken to deal with emergencies. To indicate the frequency that such training will be updated and the method of maintaining staff training records to demonstrate that regular training has taken place. (v) To maintain controlled entry to the premises or event and establish the maximum number of persons

who are occupying the premises or event at any time (see Appendix 3 for further information). (vi) To determine what the views are of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, as the lead Authority with regard to all of the four Licensing Objectives, in the case of an application for a premises licence in respect of a passenger vessel. Bearing in mind the numbers required (2000), the ingress and access to the site, the main road with no footway, any potential noise and lighting in an urban area it will be impossible to achieve public safety. THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE 3.7 a) The adequacy of measures proposed to deal with the potential for public nuisance and in particular the steps taken by, or proposals of, the applicant to: (i) To prevent noise and vibration escaping from the premises or open-air sites, including music, noise from ventilation equipment and human voices. Such measures may include the installation of soundproofing, air conditioning, acoustic lobbies and sound limitation devices. This will be impossible for an open air venue close to residential properties (ii) To manage the outside spaces, ...which are within the direct control of the Premises Licence Holder, to prevent noise from patrons and entertainment creating a public nuisance to nearby neighbours. This will be impossible to do at this venue (iii) To prevent disturbance by patrons arriving at or leaving the premises, or in the vicinity of the premises..... There will be severe congestion on a major road and safety issues (iv) To prevent queuing, or, if queuing is inevitable, to divert queues away from neighbouring premises or otherwise manage the queue to prevent disturbance or obstruction. This will be queuing on a major road unless adequate measures are taken to alleviate this (v) To consider the cumulative effect from multiple one-off events giving rise to public nuisance There is no PP for anything other than 28 days. An increase would cause severe nuisance to the area (vi) To ensure that staff leave the premises quietly. (vii) To evaluate whether taxis, private hire or other vehicles serving the premises are likely to disturb local residents and/or people staying in nearby holiday accommodation. This will be inevitable with people waiting for lifts on the major trunk road with no footway. (viii) To evaluate whether routes to or from the premises on foot or by car, or for service or delivery vehicles, pass residential premises and holiday accommodation and if so, the effect this may have on such properties. routes to or from the premises on foot or by car, or for service or delivery vehicles, will pass residential premises and holiday accommodation and the effect will be devastating in noise and congestion (ix) To prepare, implement and oversee, as appropriate, policies regarding dispersal of customers, queue management, smoking areas and outside spaces. There will have to be considerable improvements to the entrance and exit of the site (x) To prevent disturbance from light arising from security devices, floodlighting, advertising lighting or any special effect lighting. This should include vehicle lights as vehicles leave the site (xi) To prevent noxious fumes from causing a nuisance to occupants of nearby residential and commercial premises or land. Vehicle exhausts for large quantities of vehicles will affect the houses around and opposite the fields. (xii) To determine whether the premises would result in increased refuse storage or disposal problems, or whether additional litter from or in the vicinity of the premises could cumulatively cause public nuisance. Would the refuse be removed at the end of the evening or would it be stored for a time causing a public nuisance. (xiii) To implement where appropriate, the outcomes of consultations held between the applicant and Torbay Council's Licensing & Public Protection Team in respect of the application and submitted operating schedule. It would be necessary to require appropriate schedules for administering the site and removing waste etc. So as to make sure that there was no nuisance. b) The Authority advocates working with businesses, with the shared aim of providing a more business friendly and vibrant economy, however, accepts that it equally has a responsibility to its residents. To aid in the process, Appendix 3 gives further advice relating to public nuisance that businesses, new or existing, may wish to consider when making an application or preparing for an event. This should aid both the business and the Authority to ensure there is

a common understanding of what is proposed and what the impacts might be. That contained within Appendix 3, should help town operating schedule tailored to the type, nature and characteristics of the specific premises and its neighbourhood. The grant of this licence without severe and stringent rules with regard to access and egress of the site and noise and light pollution and removal of waste would be a negligent action on behalf of the authority. Conclusion This is primarily an agricultural site which has of late been used for a Sunday car boot sale up until lunch time, a South West Water bottled water supply depot which went on all night with deliveries of pallets of water and the recent funfair which caused us not to be able to have our windows open due to the constant music and screaming. This application envisages 6 days a week (Monday to Saturday) opening at 06.00 and closing at 00.00with activities between 12.00 and 22.30. This is a gross increase in what has gone before and by virtue of its location adjacent to many residential houses and areas; with then lack of a proper planning permission and the difficult access and exit onto a main arterial road would be a most inappropriate place for the licence applied for. I would object to this application for the reasons given [REDACTED]

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

[REDACTED]

Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation

No

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder.

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Full name:

[REDACTED]



Applicant

Preferred pronoun He/Him

Title Mr

First name [REDACTED]

Middle name

Surname [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED] Hound Tor Close

Town/City Paignton

County Torbay

Postcode TQ4 7SJ

Country United Kingdom

Preferred contact method Email

Email address [REDACTED]

Phone

Mobile

Your date of birth [REDACTED]

Tell us how we can help you best

Do you need a different type of help/support?

Agrees to be contacted for surveys and/or consultations No

Your age [REDACTED]

What is your ethnicity? [REDACTED]

What is your sex? [REDACTED]

Is your gender identity the same as the sex that you were registered with at birth? Yes

What is your sexuality?

Do you have a disability? [REDACTED]



Applicant

Do you provide unpaid care for someone you know?

At any point in your life, have you spent time under the care of a local authority?

Your religion No religion

Premises Details

Name of premises/trading name Torbay Showground

Address Torbay Showground

Town or City Paignton

County Devon

Postcode TQ47BH

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Regarding the following application I want to: Object

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

Public safety Yes

The prevention of public nuisance Yes

Reason(s) for your representation
Between 19 March and 29 March 2026, a funfair operated on the site. It was open from 17:00 to 20:00 on weekdays and from 14:00 at weekends.
The primary issue was the level and nature of noise generated by the event, including loud amplified music and frequent screaming and shouting from attendees. This noise was consistently audible within my home, even when all windows were closed.
It had a sustained and negative impact on my family's wellbeing, as we were unable to use our garden, open windows for ventilation, or find respite from the disturbance within our own property.
This also directly affected my children's ability to study and revise for school examinations. The lack of a



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quiet environment during this important period is of particular concern and, with GCSEs approaching, has the potential to adversely affect their educational outcomes.

In addition to the noise, there were noticeable unpleasant odours emanating from the site during this period. If this were to continue, it would prevent us from opening windows during warmer weather and would significantly affect our comfort and quality of life. This would limit our ability to properly ventilate our home and enjoy normal residential living conditions. There were also traffic and access issues associated with the event. Vehicles were parked along the entrance to Hookhills from Brixham Road, which restricted access to the estate and made vehicle movements more difficult and potentially unsafe. I am concerned that the granting of this application, particularly for events of longer duration, would lead to repeated and potentially increased disturbance. This would have an ongoing negative impact on my family and other nearby residents.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises licens

Yes

Provide the reason:



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I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation w

Yes

Checking this box indicates you have read and understood the above declaration

Yes

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 09 June 2026 23:51:42 |
| Name of the premises: | TORBAY SHOWGROUND |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | BRIXHAM ROAD (WINDY CORNER) |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ {uprn: [REDACTED]} |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of crime and disorder Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | Due to the location of the site, the events proposed will have a significant impact on the surrounding residential homes. 1) Prevention of crime and public safety - having event so close to the residential area poses a security threat to the homes as there will be opportunist drawn to the area, resulting in breakins and possible vandalism. 2) Public safety - the site is directly situated next to Brixham Road which means there is a risk of accidents due to increased traffic, and pedestrians with no footpath. 3) Public nuisance - the proposed events will cause a lot of noise pollution and disruption to people's peaceful living environments. Having the site [REDACTED] house means we cannot enjoy our garden space without having to listen to the noise of the events opposite. For example, the Rev Fest will cause substantial noise and air pollution. The VW Camp Out will have people partying through the night, consuming alcohol and cause noise. There is also the risk of residential roads becoming congested/over crowded due to people wanting free parking. |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | Yes |
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| What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | [REDACTED] |
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| Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation | No |
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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder. 1

Full name:



Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 04 June 2026 17:03:15 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Rd - Windy Corner |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] FOX TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SQ {uprn: [REDACTED] |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | The prevention of crime and disorder Public safety The prevention of public nuisance |
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| The reason for your representation: | The rear of our property directly backs on to the [REDACTED] where we like to sit outside and enjoy summer evenings. The proposed music and entertainment events would have an adverse effect on our lives from noise disturbance (the recent Fair at Easter was extremely loud and went on late into the evening. Hookhills is a QUIET residential estate with many OAPs including us). We are also very concerned with anti-social behaviour and the potential of drink related crime especially on all day weekend type of events. Congestion problems - the roads throughout the Hookhills estate including our road (Fox Tor Close) are already being used by people visiting the car boot site on a Sunday and Windy Corner is becoming congested. Already police have had to deal with parking obstruction at the start of Hunters Tor Drive with Buses unable to get through. This raises safety issues that if there was an accident an ambulance would be unable to get to the incident. Respectfully this is not "NIMBYism" we want people to enjoy themselves but this site is not appropriate in any way (other sites such as the old go cart and steam rally field would be far more suitable) and not impact local residents. |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | No |
| Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation | No |

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Confirmation

I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation will be given to the premises license holder. 1

Full name:



Licensing representation

Date and Time Submitted 07 June 2026 11:41:34

Name of the premises: Torbay Showground

Support/Object to application Object

Address of the premises: Brixham Road, Paignton

Applicant Details

In what capacity are you applying? Any other person

First name:

[REDACTED]

Last name:

[REDACTED]

Contact number:

[REDACTED]

Email address:

[REDACTED]

Address:

[REDACTED] HOUND TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SJ {uprn:
[REDACTED]}

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives

The prevention of public nuisance

The reason for your representation:

My complaint is that the number and nature of proposed events to be held on Torbay Showground will generate unacceptable noise and disturbance to myself and other residents living in the close vicinity, as recently happened with a Fair operating which resulted in very high volumes of engines and screaming from hose using the attractions for hour upon hour. For example I am informed there is an intention feature a 'Rev Fest' which is described as "The roar of engines meets the rhythm of music. High performance engines rev off - passion meets decibels and the crowd decides the champion." Clearly by any measure this cannot be a suitable event to stage so close to residential properties. I am not anti Torbay Showground but ask that the those who organise events give proper consideration to the type of entertainment proposed and not to proceed with an apparent disregard to the noise and disturbance that will be inflicted on nearby residents. An important aspect is the the road to access these events. This is of course the Brixham Road which at the point of entry to The Torbay Showground is relatively narrow. This road already has high volumes of traffic, and as a resident I know frequently long queues form especially in the summer months and this will clearly be made infinitely worse by the proposed events. Traffic marshals will need to be employed with the necessary qualification to perform such duties. The safety of road users and pedestrians being of the utmost importance.

Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?

Yes

What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder?


[REDACTED]

Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

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Full name: 

Licensing representation

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| Date and Time Submitted | 04 June 2026 17:28:17 |
| Name of the premises: | Torbay Showground, Brixham Road, Paignton |
| Support/Object to application | Object |
| Address of the premises: | Brixham Road Paignton TQ4 7BH |

Applicant Details

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| In what capacity are you applying? | Any other person |
| First name: | [REDACTED] |
| Last name: | [REDACTED] |
| Contact number: | [REDACTED] |
| Email address: | [REDACTED] |
| Address: | [REDACTED] FOX TOR CLOSE PAIGNTON TQ4 7SQ {uprn: [REDACTED] |

Representation

Which of the following Licensing Objectives is this representation relevant to?

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| This representation is relevant to the following Licensing Objectives | <input type="checkbox"/> The prevention of crime and disorder <input type="checkbox"/> Public safety <input type="checkbox"/> The prevention of public nuisance <input type="checkbox"/> The protection of children from harm |
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| The reason for your representation: | It is beyond belief that the numerous events that are planned are being considered in a quiet residential area, extremely close to houses, where they will cause substantial noise for long periods of the day, and even overnight! There are many families with young children in the area, and both adults and children will suffer sleep disturbance. Another major concern is the traffic noise and congestion. There is already a huge problem on this road with congestion and pollution, which has already been made worse by the building of hundreds of houses on the Inglewood estate nearby. The amount of traffic generated will undoubtedly lead to accidents, and the sheer number of people invading this small area will also lead to an increase in crime and antisocial behaviour. Since the recent funfair I have become aware of incidents of break ins and theft nearby, so there has already been an increase of people 'casing' the area for items to steal, and trespassing. If you have any regard for local residents at all, you must not approve these applications, the proposed events are totally unsuitable and downright harmful for the area. |
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| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | Yes |
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| What is the reason you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises license holder? | [REDACTED] |
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Would you like to include any documentation in support of your representation No

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Confirmation

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Full name:



Agent

Title Mr
First name Chris
Surname Lazenby
Address
Town/City
County
Postcode TQ47QR
Country
Preferred contact method
Email 
Phone
Mobile
Organisation

Applicant

Preferred pronoun He/Him
Title Mr
First name Chris
Middle name
Surname Lazenby
Address SWISCO
Aspen Way
Town/City Paignton
County Devon
Postcode TQ47QR
Country United Kingdom
Preferred contact method Email

Applicant

Email address [REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

Mobile [REDACTED]

Your date of birth

Tell us how we can help you best

Do you need a different type of help/support?

Agrees to be contacted for surveys and/or consultations

Your age [REDACTED]

What is your ethnicity? [REDACTED]

What is your sex?

Is your gender identity the same as the sex that you were registered with at birth?

What is your sexuality? [REDACTED]

Do you have a disability?

Do you provide unpaid care for someone you know?

At any point in your life, have you spent time under the care of a local authority?

Your religion [REDACTED]

Premises Details

Name of premises/trading name Torbay Showground LTD

Address Torbay Showground, Brixham Road

Town or City Paignton

County Devon

Postcode TQ47BH

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| Regarding the following application I want to: | Object |
| In what capacity are you applying? | A Responsible Authority |
| Public safety | Yes |
| Reason(s) for your representation | <p>I wish to object and state that, in my professional opinion, based on experience and traffic safety engineering expertise, while the proposed conditions may offer some benefit, the location remains unsuitable even with proposed controls in place.</p> <p>In the absence of a properly designed and constructed footway, pedestrian access to the site at the Brixham Road entrance should not be permitted.</p> |
| Is there any reason why you do not want your personal details to be passed on to the premises licens | Yes |
| Provide the reason: | I am an Officer responding for SWISCo Highways, working on behalf of Torbay Council |

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| I confirm I have read the representation guidance notes and agree that a copy of my representation w | Yes |
| Checking this box indicates you have read and understood the above declaration | Yes |