

Dear Team,

I would like to make an objection to the licence for Sedgewell Barn in the strongest possible terms in connection with the prevention of public nuisance and public safety.

During 2022, we have been so badly affected in terms of our amenity from the events at Sedgewell Barn, this resulted in formal complaints and evidence gathering for Environmental Health. Finally, a noise abatement notice was issued on 7th September 2022.

We are aware of the improvements to the insulation of the barn etc, we have an acoustic specialist evaluating this document and we can feedback this information to the team when it becomes available. We still have concerns about the noise that will be experienced from patrons enjoying the outdoor space on summer days as we found all last summer. We experienced large cheers after the ceremonies and group photos, rowdy behaviour, laughing, singing, bag pipes and other musicians. We understand that people will be enjoying their special day however this affects our amenity being so closely located to the venue.

The licence application is requested for events 7 days a week, this unlimited number of events will affect us greatly. The events will naturally be in the summer months when most weddings are held to take advantage of the good weather which is a time when we will be also enjoying our gardens more. The granting of this licence will give rise to a prolonged risk to our public amenity.

We find contradictions in the licence application to their supporting documentation with regard to outdoor entertainment and playing of music. If granted the applicants would be in no doubt be causing a noise nuisance to nearby residents as there would be no attenuation whatsoever. Clair Weber, Environmental Health Officer has made the recommendation on their current planning application (23/00625/FUL) that "No Live, amplified music or live entertainment shall take place outside the premises" .

Sedgewell Barn wedding venue also has accommodation on site and when guests book the barn they book the accommodation as a package. During 2022, we were exposed to a prolonged after parties once the venue closed, noise from the accommodation such as shouting, singing, screaming, laughing, arguing in the early hours of Sunday mornings. We experienced severe disruption as did other nearby dwellings which affected our sleep and the enjoyment of our own homes and gardens.

Also, during the weddings held last year we experienced large disruption and safety issues on the roads around venue, Green Hills Lane & Warlaby Lane and the unadopted road which leads directly to the venue is of single track with no passing places. We experienced taxis and cars reversing into resident's driveways, speeding, blocked access to resident's properties. At some events, some patrons left the venue on foot this resulted in noise disruption near the nearby properties in the twilight hours.

I hope you consider our comments.

Yours faithfully

Lucy & Chris Woodall

Dear Team,

I would like to make an objection to the licence for Sedgewell Barn in connection with the prevention of public nuisance due to the effect this has on myself as owner, operator and licensee and directly on the business Mog Cabins Cattery.

Mog Cabins Cattery an established business running for several years which is situated in the grounds of my garden at my home address [REDACTED] DL7 9JX. Mog Cabins Cattery is a 5 star boarding facility exclusively for cats. I made a large investment in building a purpose-built cattery to ensure the highest possible standard of facility and care for of boarding cats. I am licensed to care for 30 cats, in my 11-cabin accommodation which is approximately 400 metres from the wedding and event venue Sedgewell Barn and 250 metres from the accommodation which is hired in conjunction with the venue.

Sedgewell Barn has been operating without necessary planning permission during 2022 and therefore I am in the unique position of being able to inform you of the exact noise nuisance that has occurred and the impact this has had on myself and my business and I believe will continue to do so.

The noise I experienced from the venue was amplified live and recorded music from in and outside the building. I could hear musicians and patrons using the venue and on noise from the on-site accommodation. I was exposed to loud cheers of up to 250 people after the ceremonies and photos around lunchtime, followed by the evening music starting generally around 5pm (sometimes earlier) which generally went onto midnight but on some occasions 1am. This noise still continued after the event had ended in the form of traffic, patrons shouting, singing, children screaming, arguing, laughing, swearing and horns honking. This noise along with the traffic noise of patrons leaving did also continue at the on-site accommodation until the early hours of the Sunday morning. These weekly events left me stressed and exhausted and I found it very difficult to function in my role. I have created a business where I pride myself to give the highest standard of care to guests and it is painful to say this becomes unachievable when the venue is operating.

The noise created from the venue started at approximately lunchtime on Saturdays and went onto the early hours of the Sunday mornings, this had a detrimental impact on my guests which are crepuscular and have sensitive hearing around three times more sensitive than humans. This noise was so loud that cats were forced into their insulated sleeping quarters to escape it. It prevented their natural behaviour which led to stress and has a detrimental impact on their well-being. Cats are susceptible to stress related disorders which in some cases especially in male cats can become life threatening extremely quickly. This stress not only impacted on the cats, it impacted on my ability to shield them from it increasing my anxiety and my own stress. I wasn't able to shield myself from the noise, the very nature of my work is that cats need regular care and monitoring which includes late night checks in line with regulations.

I believe this licence application is unrestricted in terms of days of the week and can run from 8am until midnight, and 365 days of the year. I have grave concerns on my ability to carry out my work in line with my licensed regulations if Sedgewell Barn is granted this licence.

I have respectfully complained through official channels to prevent the noise nuisance with Planning Enforcement and Environmental Health teams at the Council and yourselves in licensing. Due to the active planning application the enforcement team were reluctant to take action however Environmental Health served noise abatement notice was in September 2022.

I am aware of the improvements to the insulation of the barn etc which should reduce some noise, we have an acoustic specialist evaluating this document and we can feedback this information to the team when it becomes available. However, this noise will still breakout as people mill around which is natural at wedding and other events. We still have concerns about the noise that will be experienced from patrons enjoying the outdoor space on summer days as we found all last summer and the noise from the accommodation on-site after the event and patrons leaving and the traffic noise associated with that. The new access to the site that is proposed brings the traffic and associated late night noise closer to the cattery roughly around 200m.

Finally, I would like to add that if this planning application and associated license is granted; I intend to seek legal advice to recoup the severe economic loss this would bring about for my business and my loss of future earnings.

Yours faithfully,

Lucy Woodall

Owner, Operator & Licensee of Mog Cabins Cattery

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In the 'Event Management Plan',

"The number of guests attending any one event will be a maximum of 150.
Weddings will normally take place on Saturdays from no earlier than 11.00 to no later than 00:00."

Further to my previous objections regarding this application. I would like to highlight some errors to what the applicant as applied for and what they are advertising the venue as. This suggests that the numbers will not be kept to, increasing noise from patrons and traffic, increasing traffic volumes and projections on trips etc which will adversely affect neighbouring properties.

I have listed the websites below. This is also supported the event held 25th June to the early hours of 26th June which held around 250 guests and that is why this venue was selected, this supporting evidence was sent to Hambleton District Council on 3rd July 2022. Please let me know if you would like that information supplying again.

We would also like to make the point that the venue is still offering marquee and outdoor weddings which would provide no outside attenuation what so ever to neighbours which will inevitably result in noise nuisance. <https://openairbusiness.com/sedgewell-barn/>

You will also notice from the "no earlier than 11.00" the usual access time is quoted in supporting evidence as 8am.

The overall opinion of residents is that this application has a pure commercial foundation, and that the applicants will use any costcutting and profit maximising measures available. They will only mitigate the damage to our amenity when forced to do so through official channels. This is a site that will continue to push the limits, expand, hold more events, diversify beyond weddings at the extreme detriment to those that live in the locality.

Supporting websites and screenshots:-

<https://www.amazingspaceweddings.co.uk/search/sedgewell-barn>

<http://www.louisianasweddings.co.uk/sedgewell-barn/>

<https://openairbusiness.com/sedgewell-barn/>

https://bridebook.com/uk/wedding-venues/sedgewell-barn-ainderby-steeple-north-yorkshire-csnXV30ZDg?gclid=EAlaIQobChMI95Oc1Y-k_gIVzMLtCh1q6wrxEAAYASAAEgJ_m_D_BwE

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Sedgewell Barn
openairbusiness.com



chartered surveyor until our two children arrived. We also have a sprocker called Max who loves to help meet and greet our guests!



Tell us about your location and site

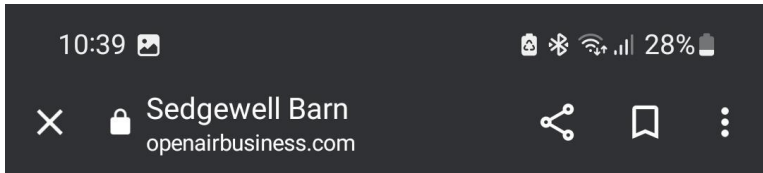
Our wedding venue is set within 60 acres of rolling countryside in the heart of rural North Yorkshire. We have two interlinked wedding barns, one of which is romantically rustic and the other which is stunningly industrial in style. Both barns together can accommodate up to 200 seated guests.

Our venue has the advantage of having luxury en-suite glamping units onsite, many of which have hot tubs. The venue also boasts an outdoor seating area, indoor chill-out space and several stunning backdrops for photographs.

We are licensed to hold civil ceremonies and there are several indoor spaces to choose from, as well as our pretty outdoor courtyard area.

We are located just a few minutes' walk from the picturesque village of Ainderby Steeple and the venue is nestled between two National Parks: the North York Moors and the Yorkshire Dales. Yet the A1(M) and railway network are both within a 10 minute car journey.





mingling for a pre-wedding drinks reception. We are also developing a terraced area where guests can have a stroll outside after the reception and take in the breathtaking views and wide open skies with the Yorkshire Dales on the horizon.

For couples who would prefer to hold their reception in a marquee or tipi then space is no problem here and we have a designated area for this purpose too.

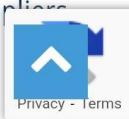
Our on-site glamping accommodation is just a short walk from the wedding venue. For those wanting to get wed in the great outdoors couples can even have their ceremony in a Wigwam cabin! Each cabin has its own parking space, plus outdoor area to the front with a firebowl, wooden stools and picnic bench.

Onsite there are private dog walks, a children's play area and an honesty shop where guests can buy marshmallows and free range eggs from our own chickens.



What services do you offer?

Our friendly team has a full list of handpicked suppliers including approved caterers and bar hire. Our experienced in-house wedding planner is there to help hand with supplier coordination leaving couples





Sleeps No. of People

47

Bridal Suite

Honeymoon Suite



Usual Access Time

8:00AM

Usual Finish Time

12:00PM

Ceremony & Reception

- ✓ Church Within Walking Distance
- ✓ Sound System Available
- ✓ Outdoor Ceremony Available
- ✓ Wedding Licence
- ✓ Confetti Permitted
- ✓ Dancefloor Available

Venue

- ✓ Disabled Access
- ✓ Landscaped Gardens
- ✓ Bridal Changing Facilities
- ✓ Exclusive Use
- ✓ Outdoor Reception Space
- ✓ In-House Wedding Coordinator
- ✓ On-Site Parking
- ✓ Pet-Friendly

Food and Drink

- ✓ External Catering Permitted
- ✓ Alcohol Licence

Full Description

Our family-run venue, currently open from May to October, is set within 60 acres of rolling countryside in the heart of rural North Yorkshire. We have two interlinked wedding barns, one of which is





Licensed for Marriage	Yes
Ceremony Capacity 200	2-
Reception Capacity	200
In-house Bar	Yes

Sedgewell Barn

Northallerton, North Yorkshire




CONTACT VENUE

Overview

- ✓ Capacity for up to 200 guests for both the ceremony and reception
- ✓ Exclusive three day venue hire
- ✓ On-site accommodation for you and up to 41 guests, with private hot tubs
- ✓ Church within walking distance
- ✓ In-house wedding co-ordinator included
- ✓ Licensed for civil ceremonies
- ✓ Bar and entertainment licensed until midnight



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in North Yorkshire



Anita Huntsman

From: Lucy Woodall [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 April 2023 19:24
To: Licensing Team
Cc: [REDACTED]
Anita Huntsman
Subject: Further Objection to Sedgewell Barn License Application, DL7 9JY
Attachments: Licensing -Objection.docx
Categories: Anita

Hi,

Please find further objection regarding the above site, this information has been provided by our Noise Consultant who is representing ourselves and other neighbours on the lane.

If you need me to specify names and addresses, please let me know.

Apologies, for providing this close to the deadline we have just heard back this evening.

Regards,

Lucy & Chris Woodall

Licensing Application Sedgewell Barn DL7 9JY

The following points have been provided by our noise consultant, these are just his initial points. His full report regarding noise from Sedgewell Barn will be provided by the end of the week and I hope you will be able to consider these in full.

Our noise consultant is Richard Watson BEng(Hons) CEng MIOA MAES MIEEE
Partner - Senior Consultant, Blue Tree Acoustics

The points raised should be considered in line with the prevention of public & private nuisance.

1.) License Application Form:-

- There is confusion between live music 0800-2359 and 00-0000, might imply 24-hour use.
- Non-amplified live music can be played outdoors, including bands, soloists, brass or orchestral bands
- Alcohol on sale until 23.59
- Open to the public hours 0800-0100 therefore vehicles still creating noise at 1am and beyond

2.) Management Plan:-

- Guest numbers 150 doesn't include staff, suppliers and bands etc
- "weddings will normally take place" - this allows non-normal weddings or other parties at all hours and days
- Should aim to prevent both public and private nuisance
- Potential noise-source list misses: Unamplified music and Glamping residents during the day
- No limit on vehicle movement times or numbers

3.) Amplified Music Section

- Can musicians by-pass the limiter by bringing their own amplifiers, it doesn't specify.
- Brass bands and other amplified bands can still be loud.
- Amplified music only in Celebration Barn and limited to agreed level- but there is also a P.A system in the Rustic Barn

- Not clear that event staff will be able (properly and have time) to monitor noise levels. If it is audible to neighbours it needs to be turned down.
- 4.) Does the premises license include the glamping site? If this is the case it would bring the noise and potential nuisance closer to dwellings