

My name is REDACTED, a resident of Remenham Parish. I live with my wife at REDACTED Remenham Lane, REDACTED. We have been resident at this address for 18 years.

I write with reference to the Consultation Document relating to the above review. Since we moved here in 2000, we have witnessed a very significant increase in the scale and number of events that have significant impact on this small community. In addition to the traditional Henley Royal Regatta, we have seen the addition of an extended Women's Regatta, a Veterans Regatta, a Rewind Music Festival, several Henley Swim Events, the Henley Festival etc, etc. Although these events are pre fixed by the word "Henley", the vast majority of the activities associated with the events take place in Remenham. The events give rise to massive traffic issues on the days of the events themselves, but also huge disruption on the days before and after each event, usually involving very heavy vehicles trying to access various parts of the areas along the river along narrow country lanes that are dangerously unsuited to them.

Although the Henley Royal Regatta is, for the most part, well managed from a safety and public nuisance perspective, the other events are not. The organisers have neither the budgets nor the inclination so to do.

As time goes on, the vehicles involved in "set up" and "take down" are becoming larger - and the numbers attending the events greater and greater, giving rise to massive disruption and potentially dangerous situations.

I give you two examples:

- last year, in Remenham Lane, during the Rewind Festival, there was a near very serious accident caused by inefficient and confusing traffic management.

- also last year I was unable to exit Remenham Lane while attempting to take my wife to Hospital due to a complete blockage resulting from an unsuitably large truck getting jammed against parked cars in the narrow lane. Luckily this was not a life threatening emergency, but had it been so, there is no way that any emergency Vehicle could have accessed the lane from either end.

These are but two examples of the public safety and public nuisance impact of allowing ever increasing activities in Remenham.

In our view, the Licensing Authority have an obligation to assess each Licensing Application for events in Remenham from the perspective of the Cumulative Impact on this small community in terms of both Public Nuisance and Public Safety. Continuing to permit an ever increasing number and scale of events in this small area will only increase the possibility of a major tragedy

Sincerely, REDACTED

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