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Subject: Exton Park Vineyard license

I would like to object to the application for the above premises to have a license to sell alcohol from 10:00 to 23:00 seven days a week.

It is without question that this will have a detrimental affect on Exton Village. The roads leading through the village are narrow country lanes without pathways and limited passing spaces. These roads are often occupied by:

- * horse riders/pony and trap
- * cyclists
- * walkers/runners of all ages. Both able and disabled.
- * dogs (on and off lead)

Increased traffic flow will simply clog up the village roads and create an unsafe environment for those that currently use these lanes.

Surely it would be prudent for some kind of traffic assessment to be conducted to measure the safety of these roads taking into account the increased traffic flow if this licence were granted?

As part of the South Downs National Park we are an International Dark Sky Reserve area. This important status (one of only 2 in England and one of only 16 worldwide). The increased nighttime flow of traffic will undoubtedly create an adverse affect as well as being a nuisance to certain villagers in Exton who's properties are situation on bends within the tight lanes in the village and therefore the constant casting of light from vehicle headlights into their properties during the evening.

Obviously I appreciate that businesses based in the countryside often need to diversify to survive so I have a suggestion.

I understand the land adjoining Exton Park Vineyard (lined green on the plan below) is owned by the same person who is a designated member of the Exton Park Vineyard LLP. Indeed there is a track from the top of Beacon Hill that leads off The White Way directly to the vineyard premises via this land. Surely this is the sensible route for traffic to directed to events at the Vineyard which will ensure the village of Exton can still be a safe environment for people to live and enjoy.



Kind regards

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