

REPRESENTATIONS LIST

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Application No: 061564

Application Date: 17 March 2026

Licence Type: Premises Licence WITH Alcohol

Licence No: N/A

Application Type: New Application

Premises: Dunkeswell Raceway
Dunkeswell, HONITON, Devon, EX14 4AH.

Applicant: Dunkeswell Raceway Ltd
Dunkeswell Raceway, Dunkeswell Aerodrome, Dunkeswell, Devon, EX14 4AH.

Person making Representation: Environmental Health Officer
Blackdown House, Border Road, Heathpark Industrial Estate, HONITON, Devon

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details: As I have a restricted timeframe to response to licensing, in the absence of a EMP & NMP I am raising a representation to your time limited premises licence for Rev fest. I'm recommending that the following is attached to your Licence as a condition in order to prevent any public nuisance:

At least four weeks prior to the event, a Noise Management Plan (NMP) will be submitted for approval by East Devon's Environmental Protection Team. On written approval of the NMP, the NMP will be implemented and operated during the hours of the event. The NMP should be designed to cover the prevention of public nuisance criteria detailed within the Licensing Act 2003 by the following:

- o Setting out the methodology for controlling music noise from the event
- o Ensuring that maximum music noise levels are not exceeded at the boundary of any noise sensitive property
- o Setting out the methodology for a noise complaint handling procedure is in place. This must ensure that any noise complaints are recorded together with the following actions that have been undertaken

Between the hours of 07:00 and 23:00 the A-weighted equivalent continuous music noise level (MNL15min) emanating from the premises, when measured or determined at the boundary of any noise sensitive property over any 15-minute period must not exceed 65 dB(A) (MNL15min).

Between the hours of 23:00 and 07:00 the A-weighted equivalent continuous music noise level (MNL5min) emanating from the premises, when measured or determined at the boundary of any noise sensitive property must not exceed 45 dB(A) (MNL 5min).

Reason: For the prevention of public nuisance

If during the application process a suitable NMP is submitted, I will withdraw my representation.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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Evidence:

Suggestion:

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Person making Representation: Peter Clark

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details: Subject: Representation Against Premises Licence Application Ref No. 061564 - Dunkeswell Raceway

I would like to make the following representation in relation to Premises Licence Application Ref No. 061564 for Dunkeswell Raceway.

Summary

As a resident of Sheldon I, like the majority of people who live in the village accept the Raceway as a "neighbour" and would like to get along with them in a neighbourly way. I opposed their recent planning applications to extend racing activities on the grounds that "enough was enough"; and yes, I have campaigned along with many others in Sheldon to simply force them to adhere to their legally binding commitments under the s106. That said I accept the merits of this application and respect its motives, specifically celebrating 60 years of karting at Dunkeswell.

I am therefore not objecting to the licence application in principle. I would however ask that the Council recognize the impact this event/licence will have upon local communities if approved in full and I request that approval is given only with the following conditions:

- " the Council recognize the issues local communities have had with the Raceway concerning noise intrusion and impose restrictions as outlined below on the permitted hours for outside music [Grounds of public nuisance];
- " enhanced traffic management processes as suggested below are introduced that recognize the remote location and the parlous state of local roads [Grounds of public safety];
- " the applicant is made fully aware that this licence is granted as a one-off permission and does not set a precedent for further similar and/or recurring events [Grounds of public nuisance].

Noise intrusion

EDDC's own Planning Committee acknowledge that Sheldon and other local communities already suffer immense noise intrusion from the activities of the Raceway. This includes extremely noisy two-stroke race kart events taking place on thirty-three days a year. My concerns therefore relate to the imposition of further noise intrusion. As such, allowing indoor music would be less of a problem. What I would like to see controlled is the impact of outdoor music.

It is important to note that the licensing application for the upcoming Smeatharpe Monster Truck event is not seeking outdoor music approval. So I must question why the event at Dunkeswell, which has the potential to impact negatively on far more local residents, should be permitted to broadcast outdoor music.

I ask that a condition is imposed prohibiting the use of outside music.

Traffic and Rural Infrastructure

EDDC's own Local Plan 2020-40 states (6.115) that "there is no further significant stress placed on the parish's road system or compromising of the peaceful rural nature of the area". The Committee can be in no doubt that this event would contravene that policy.

The local road network, in particular the key access roads from Honiton and Hemyock, are already hugely pressurised. Those roads are dark and driving conditions are challenging even in daylight. They are narrow and rural in nature, with limited capacity to easily accommodate the increased traffic volume this event will entail. A recent road survey carried out in Dunkeswell demonstrated this.

The roads are already subject to severe ongoing degradation. This increase in traffic volume could be catastrophic and lead to serious injuries, or even worse, if not properly and effectively controlled and managed. These measures should include at least a fully detailed traffic dispersal plan, properly marshalled until several hours after the event concludes, and fully signposted. Additionally, one must not ignore the lack of availability of public transport to and from the site.

Precedent and Intensification of Use

No event of this scale and nature has ever previously been held at this site and whilst I recognize the right to hold a singular, commemorative event it should be established that this is a one-off event.

Evidence:

Suggestion:

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Person making Representation: Nick Chapman

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details:

Re: Current Time Limited Licensing Act Application
Ref: 061564 Dunkeswell Raceway, Dunkeswell, Honiton EX14 4AH
Application for 29th- 30th August 2026

I write with reference to the above application, and wish to make the following representations.

I'd support the application broadly; but with the following conditions:

Prevention of Public Nuisance

The recent refusal of planning at the Raceway has reminded us all of how intrusive the noise of the Raceway is, and how, in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty this needs to be preserved. We need to be cognisant of the local communities around the Raceway and the effect the proposed licence would have on them.

I would argue that the location of the Raceway means that noise does travel far, and therefore any outdoor noise is likely to be heard by a large number of people, particularly at the weekend, during an evening.

I know my neighbours will have drawn a parallel to Smeathorpe, and their licensing application.

My concern is that the outdoor noise permission is extensive - and goes on until midnight.

Any large event like this will require additional outdoor floodlighting and this will likely lead to light pollution.

However I understand that the event may attract a larger than normal number of people and their safety at night needs to be of paramount importance. As part of that there will be a requirement for additional floodlighting.

I would respectfully ask that music is contained indoors (the event has air-conditioning). And further that doors and windows are kept closed during this time.

With outdoor music not being permitted.

Floodlights should be of a type where the broad dispersal of light should be limited and contained to the actual car park. In short these lights need to be more directional and pointing to the ground rather than shining over the valley.

Promotion of Public Safety

Please see my comment on lighting above.

I would also echo some of the concerns of local residents on the additional traffic which may travel to venue.

Roads to Dunkeswell from Hemyock are quite narrow. They are poor in quality forcing cars to drive on the other side of the road. They are ill-equipped to deal with large additional volumes of traffic over a bank holiday weekend.

It would be far more preferable for routes of entry and exit to pre-planned and conveyed to those attending, as well as providing adequate direction signs and marshalls to direct traffic along wider roads which can more safely disperse traffic after the event. Traffic should be signposted towards Honiton or pass Smeathorpe rather than directed down to Hemyock.

There will always be some traffic which will pass through the smaller villages and that remains acceptable of course if numbers are very small.

Overall Concerns

EDDC Officers may not agree, but it remains clear that the Applicant has a history of breaching planning regulations (retrospective planning permissions and persistent breaching of the s106).

It is important for Dunkeswell Raceway to understand that the granting of this licence is a privilege, not a right. And that it comes, if granted, with strict conditions. Those conditions need to be adhered to.

If it does not do so then one would hope EDDC will frown upon it and take the appropriate enforcement action.

It also works the other way. This is an important opportunity for the Raceway to build trust with some of its neighbours so it can, perhaps, continue to apply for these temporary licences in order to hold similar events in the future.

I, like many in Sheldon would hope the event is a success and with the stipulated conditions the Raceway

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can demonstrate its commitment to running a larger scale event in the summer which hopefully can only help contribute to the Raceway's success.

Evidence:

Suggestion:

Person making Representation: Karen Hill

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details:

I am writing to comment on the above licensing application.

I wish to make clear that I do not object in principle to this event, provided that it is strictly limited to a single, one-off occasion and does not become a recurring activity.

However, it is essential that robust and effective control measures are both established and properly enforced. In particular, these must address the potential for noise disturbance within the Blackdown Hills National Landscape, as well as the impact of increased traffic on the area's poorly maintained rural roads.

This issue is especially significant in light of the recent unanimous refusal by the Planning Committee of four planning applications relating to Dunkeswell Raceway, where it was clearly recognised that any further increase in noise disturbance in this sensitive area is unacceptable.

To mitigate these concerns, I strongly recommend that control measures include a prohibition on outdoor amplified music, consistent with the approach already taken at the Monster Truck event at Smeatharpe. Additionally, a comprehensive and effective traffic management and dispersal plan must be put in place to minimise disruption and ensure public safety.

Finally, it is important that this event is explicitly recognised as an exceptional, one-off occurrence and does not set a precedent for future events or ongoing activity at this location.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Would you kindly acknowledge receipt of my comments.

Evidence:

Suggestion:

Person making Representation: Tracey Staker

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details:

I am writing regarding the above licence application.

Whilst I do not have any objections to the event itself, I would be grateful if the Licensing Authority could consider some restrictions on the timings of the event.

I am concerned that the evening music and dance is planned to go on until midnight, could this be restricted to 11pm for outdoors (as the Smeatharpe application is)?

Also, given the large number of potential attendees and the poorly maintained and narrow lanes in the area, I would like to see strong conditions on traffic management to ensure the safety of the attendees as well as local residents.

Further to my email below, please take this as my representations regarding the event and if you need anything further to consider this, please let me know.

Evidence:

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Person making Representation: Sheldon Parish Meeting

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details:

Re: Current Time Limited Licensing Act Application
Ref: 061564 Dunkeswell Raceway, Dunkeswell, Honiton EX14 4AH
Application for 29th- 30th August 2026
Representation from Sheldon Parish

As Chair of Sheldon Parish, I've been asked by a number of residents to comment on the above application.

The observations revolve around:

- Noise and light pollution
- Traffic
- Previous breaches of s106 and whether the applicant has created enough confidence to be trusted to abide by the conditions of a temporary licence.

Noise and Light Pollution

Concerns have been raised in particular regarding the proposed event having outdoor music beyond what would be regarded as a reasonable hour. Noise travels widely through the valley and the residents have concerns that their right to a peaceful evening to sleep would be impaired. We would therefore ask the Committee to consider restricting the licence to only allowing music indoors.

Lighting of the car park and outside areas to be of a downward direct light nature - and not of a wide angle so as to create light pollution

Traffic

Traffic to be well managed and marshalled on the weekend itself with clear directions to main routes - avoiding the many country lanes which cannot take a large number of cars - let alone at night

Previous s106 Breaches

Concerns have been raised around the fact that the Raceway have breached the s106 on numerous occasions and so naturally there is concern as whether the Raceway can be trusted to adhere to the licence terms.

That said, the residents are keen to be 'reasonable' and in the main we are happy to support the overall application with the minor adjustments above.

Evidence:

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Person making Representation: Rollo Home

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: Public Nuisance

Details: Subject: Representation Against Premises Licence Application Ref No. 061564 - Dunkeswell Raceway

As a neighbour to the Raceway, I would like to raise some concerns about the licence application, specifically in relation to the duration of the proposed outside music. As this is such a large event, I would also welcome further mitigations in relation to traffic control (speed and volume).

Noise - the application is seeking outdoor (live and recorded) music from 9am - 12 midnight (15hrs). You will be aware that there has been an on-going issue with noise from the site, and this will only add to that intrusion. I ask therefore that further consideration is given to this specific element (ideally a restriction on outside music altogether, but alternatives could be reducing the duration and seeking to cap the volume).

Traffic - as a neighbour that shares the same road as the raceway, I already note an increase in cars traveling at excessive speed in on these small roads (for example during 'static car show' events). As this event appears to be significantly larger (3000 visitors) I would anticipate this will be an issue. I would also expect the volume of traffic to cause issues where the roads bottleneck in Dunkeswell and Hemyock (as these are the main routes to the site). I would therefore like to see additional mitigation measures which could include a traffic dispersal plan, properly marshalled until several hours after the event concludes in traffic hotspots (including Dunkeswell and Hemyock), and fully signposted.

Many thanks

Rollo Home

Evidence:

Suggestion:

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Person making Representation: Kate Gaunt

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: N/A

Details: Re: Dunkeswell Raceway Application. Midweek Herald April 8, 2026 page 5 Bradley Gerard local democracy reporter.

I was astonished to read:

"Kart track bids to stage event for 3000 people in respect of RevFest for the end of August to mark its 60th anniversary. Event to include car enthusiasts, motorsport fans, live music outdoors until midnight"!!!

And, at the same time, recorded music indoors and outside? August 29, music and dancing from noon till midnight. Alcohol to be included. We do not want the return of 'raves'.

In recent weeks, local residents blocked an increase in karting days, the roaring and whining noise travel far across the area and live similar event events held at Smeatharpe can be heard 2 to 3 miles away from the source.

I have lived in Dunkeswell for over 20 years plus and have witnessed the deterioration of the village environment. Where we once enjoyed a quieter country life, with cattle passing, we now have a long standing nuisance created by the traffic passing through the Old Village at ever increasing speeds, pollution of the air quality, and noise, diminished wildlife, safety along the lanes for pedestrians, and riders! Not helped because the 20 mile road signs are much too fast for the nature and type of the roads.

Increased development in the area, on the Airfield and current real concerns over the proposed housing developments at both ends of the village, will see a huge increase in traffic, both during building and residential properties after. All this will see house values fall for properties no longer attractive to those who seek a country living.

Ref I paper 22nd Oct 2022 an article p18 "How congested roads are hitting our health" by Tom Bawden.

"Britains congested roads are blighting the lives and health of millions"

Walking and cycling, horse riding, place people and animals at risk, like those using disability scooters etc.

The constant zooming of vehicles from the airfield and to the airfield ruin the quality of life for residents. Fumes and sound carries across the plateau and the drumming of music can affect mental health as it travels through the walls of residents homes.

Some years ago the proprietor of the Kart Track promised to place signage on lanes roads connecting the Airfield, this was not continued. What about all the litter? For myself it seems my cottage is now on an island and the traffic speeds every direction. My own purchase of signage, requesting drivers slow down for children and animals are mostly ignored, or not seen because drivers travel too fast to read them! Leaving foul smelling air behind!

I feel my quality of life has suffered as I have lived here before the large properties along the main were built. Transport traffic is now coming from all directions and is wider, larger and fumes hang around from all vehicles. Verges eroded, it can feel like hell at times.

Please consider the quality of life for those who live in Dunkeswell, especially in the Old Village, we already have air noise, please do not add to it.

Depletion of wildlife

There used to be hares on the fields, also now gone - foxes, badgers, voles, rabbits, harvest mice, grass snakes, mallards, deer, heron, bullfinch, chaffinch, thrush, greenfinch, all within the Old Village, all gone.

The countryside environment has been ruined!

Thoes who promote the noisy activities do not live here! In Hemyock this week a traffic jam by the Church Corner. 2 large transporters and a bus.

Builders trucks parked up, and used by workmen, at least 12 cars, a huge jam - these are lanes not A roads! The poor bus driver was forced to reverse back towards the pub, will all behind also having to reverse, past the row of parked cars and the memorial. Crazy!

Evidence:

Suggestion:

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Person making Representation: Devon & Cornwall Police
Licensing Department, Launceston Police Station, Launceston, Cornwall, PL1

Representation Accepted: Representation has been accepted

Reason: Agreed Position

Details: The Police are making a representation regarding the application. An agreed position regarding the conditions has been made with the applicant and as such the conditions have been passed to the Licensing Team at EDDC.

Email to from Devon & Cornwall Police to applicant dated 2nd April 2026:

Thank you for phoning at 1020 Hours on Thursday 2nd April 2026. You explained your plans and we discussed.

1. You have a Premises License (PL) for the main building and have done for some time without an incident.
2. This event is a one (1) day, and this year will be on Saturday 29th of August.
3. You will be the DPS.
4. Rhino Security will be providing SIAs for the event.
5. Apex Medical will be providing medical cover.
6. You have completed an EMP and you have an events Manager who you will forward this email to.
7. You know about the SAG process, and I have added this to the conditions.
8. The representation date is the 14th April.

As spoken about please find some attached proposed conditions and other useful documents. Please have a look at the conditions and get back to me with any questions. Have a good easter.

Proposed conditions:

Crime and Disorder

All staff engaged in licensable activity at the premises will receive training and information in relation to the following.

The Challenge 25 scheme in operation at the premises, including the forms of identification that are acceptable.
The hours and activities permitted by the premise's licence issued under the Licensing Act 2003 and conditions attached to the licence.
How to complete and maintain the refusal register in operation at the premises (in relation to the sale of alcohol).
Recognising the signs of drunkenness.
The operating procedures for refusing service to any person who is drunk, under-age or appears to be under-age, or appears to be making a proxy purchase.
Action to be taken in the event of an emergency, including reporting an incident to the emergency services.

Training shall be recorded in documentary form or electronically and shall be regularly refreshed at no greater than 12 Month intervals. Training records shall be made available for inspection and copying at reasonable times upon request of an authorised officer of a responsible authority.

An incident log shall be kept and maintained at the premises which will include a log of the following, including pertinent details:

- i. Any incidents of disorder or of a violent or anti-social nature.
- ii. All crimes reported to the venue, or by the venue to the Police.
- iii. All ejections of patrons.
- iv. Any complaints received.
- v. Seizures of drugs or offensive weapons.
- vi. Any faults with the CCTV system.
- vii. Any visits by a responsible authority (under the Licensing Act 2003) or emergency service.

Records must be completed within 24 hours of any incident, and will contain the time and date, the nature of the incident, the people involved, the action taken and details of the person responsible for the management of the premises at the time of the incident.

The logs shall be kept for at least 12 months following the date of entry and be made available for inspection and copying upon request of an authorised officer of a responsible authority.

The premises shall install operate and maintain a comprehensive digital colour CCTV system to the satisfaction of the Police and Local Authority.

All recordings will be stored for a minimum period of 28 days with date and time stamping.

The CCTV system will be capable of downloading images to a recognisable viewable format.

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Clear and legible notices shall be prominently displayed at the exit requesting patrons to respect the needs of campers, residents and businesses and to leave the vicinity as quickly and quietly as possible.

No deliveries (in relation to licensable activities) to the premises shall take place between 2000 hours and 0800 hours.

Public Safety

No customers carrying open bottles, cans or other receptacles containing alcoholic liquor shall be admitted to the site at any time that the premises are open to the public.

A logbook or recording system shall be kept upon the premise in which shall be entered particulars of inspections made; those required to be made by statute, and information compiled to comply with any public safety condition attached to the premises licence that requires the recording of such information. The logbook shall be kept available for inspection when required by persons authorised by the Licensing Act 2003 or authorised legislation.

The Premises License Holder (PLH) and DPS are responsible for managing the workplace hazards, environmental risks, and employee well-being. They will assess risks, implement controls and promote the four (4) Licensing Objectives.

Protection of Children from Harm.

There will be in place a written age verification policy in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol, which will specify a Challenge 25 proof of age requirement. This means that staff working at the premises must ask individuals who appear to be under 25 years of age, attempting to purchase alcohol, to produce identification. The only acceptable identification documents will be:

- viii. A photo driving licence
- ix. A passport
- x. An identification card carrying the PASS hologram
- xi. MOD Form 90 (ID Card).

Unless such identification is produced the sale of alcohol must be refused.

An alcohol sales refusal register or electronic register shall be kept at the premises and be maintained to include details of all alcohol sales refused. The register will include:

- i. The date and time of the refusal
- ii. the reason for refusal
- iii. details of the person refusing the sale
- iv. description of the customer
- v. any other relevant observations.

The refusals register will be made available for inspection and copying on request of an authorised officer of a responsible authority. All entries must be made within 24 hours of the refusal.

Event

The Premises will be permitted to operate one (1) ticketed event per year over a weekend. Maximum capacity three thousand (3000).

The organiser, for the event, must give at least three (3) months' notice to the local authority, residents (via social media and leaflet drop) and the Safety Advisory Group (SAG) of the proposed event.

The organiser, for the event, and DPS must attend at least one (1) SAG meeting held prior to the event.

The organiser, for the event, must complete a full Event Management Plan (EMP) prior to each event. The EMP must be approved by the SAG at least one (1) month prior to the event. Any changes requested to be made to the EMP after its approval by the SAG, must be approved by the Police and Licensing Authority.

A Noise Management Plan (NMP) will form part of the EMP and advise sort from a reputable noise management company, EH NDDC and performers.

Free Drink Spiking Test Kits will be available behind the bar, for anyone who suspects their drink may have been spiked. Posters advertising this will be on display.

There will be a strict NO GLASS policy throughout the entire festival site.

All drinks shall be served in plastic/paper/toughened glass or polycarbonate containers during the event.

The number of SIA licensed door supervisors employed shall be in accordance with the following ratio: A minimum of two (2) door supervisors will be employed for the first two (2) hundred customers and one door supervisor for every one hundred (100) thereafter.

All SIA licensed door supervisors shall wear distinctive clothing or insignia to clearly identify them as door supervisors.

The following details for each door supervisor will be contemporaneously entered into a register kept for that purpose:

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- (i) Full name
- (ii) SIA licence/badge number, and registration number of any accreditation scheme recognised by the Licensing Authority (including expiry date of that registration or accreditation)
- (iii) The date and time they began their duty
- (iv) The date and time they completed their duty
- (v) The full details of any agency through which they have been allocated to work at the premises if appropriate

The register shall be available for inspection and copying at all reasonable times by an authorised officer of a responsible authority.

SIA licensed door supervisors engaged in searching persons shall be fully trained in the use of their powers to do so.

Where searches of persons are undertaken SIA licensed door supervisors of both sexes will be on duty.

The register shall be always kept at the premises and be so maintained as to enable an authorised officer to establish the particulars of all door supervisors engaged at the premises during the period of not less than 12 months prior to the request.

A written drugs policy shall be in place and operated at the premises. It must detail the actions taken to minimise the opportunity to use or supply illegal substances within the premises. The policy must be made available for inspection and copying upon request by an authorised officer of a responsible authority.

Where a drug safe is available on the premises to deposit finds there will be in place a clear policy for the handling and packaging of seized items.

Evidence:

Suggestion:
