

Petestock, Southay, South Petherton

I believe the local residents could be adversely affected by live amplified music because of the lack of control of not only the dB rating but on the specific wave lengths of the music. Different wave lengths can carry for great distances and on other events such as these, there are strict controls which are derived by an initial assessment.

The 3am and 6am finish times for music is excessive with ambient noise being at its lowest at these times, the applicant has not shown that local residents will not be protected against noise.

The use of volunteers rather than employed professional staff for key roles means that management of this event including noise control cannot be guaranteed. With 70 acts and side shows with generators I am concerned that volunteers and attendees can be at risk from lack of adherence to regulations such as COSH (in this case the storage of fuel etc) and gas for stoves etc. With volunteers there is no guarantee that they will be suitably trained in these matters and no information has been put forward to counter this.