

PLANNING REF : 260921
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 17 Harmar Close
: Wokingham, Berkshire
: RG401SG
SUBMITTED BY : Miss Barbara Walters
DATE SUBMITTED : 30/08/2026

COMMENTS:

I live near The Three Frogs, and I want to raise a serious concern about the Noise Impact Assessment that has been submitted as part of this application.

I attended the meeting held with the council on 29 July 2026, where residents' concerns about noise were discussed at length. At no point during that meeting was this noise survey mentioned, despite the fact that the measurements had already been taken over a month earlier, between 16 and 19 June 2026. The report itself is dated 7 August 2026, and it was not uploaded to the council portal until 10 August 2026 several weeks after the 29 July meeting, and almost eight weeks after the data was actually collected. I would ask the council to find out why this report was not shared with residents at the meeting, and why it took Greene King so long to submit it.

Turning to the content of the report itself, it simply does not match what I experience living near this pub. The noise is described as minimal and insignificant, yet the report's own figures record peak levels of 95 decibels, similar to a pneumatic drill. That is not a background noise level; it is loud and disruptive, and it happens regularly, especially on Friday and weekend evenings.

I'd also question the choice of 17 June as the "representative" busy night used in the report, given it coincided with an England World Cup match. On that occasion, the doors and windows were kept shut and the outdoor screen was switched off which is not how the pub garden normally operates when it's busy, so I don't see how it can be called representative.

Taken together, I don't think this report can be relied upon, either in terms of when and how it was produced, or in terms of what it actually found. I'd ask the council to weigh it accordingly, and to give real weight to what residents who live with this noise are telling you directly.

I object to this application on these grounds, in addition to the wider concerns already raised by other residents.