

BIG FELLA BREWING LTD

Community Involvement Statement

Lockey Farm, Sindlesham Road, Arborfield, RG2 9JH

Applicant	Big Fella Brewing Limited
Planning Portal reference	PP-15262404
Proposal	Change of use of the existing building from Class E(g)(ii) to a mixed use comprising a commercial brewery (Class B2) and taproom (Sui Generis), together with the use of associated external land as an outdoor seating area and the erection of a pergola with associated external lighting.

1. Scope of Engagement

Given the modest scale of the proposal, no separate formal pre-application community consultation exercise has been undertaken specifically for this planning application.

The applicant has, however, engaged with Wokingham Borough Council through informal planning discussions regarding the appropriate planning route and use-class position. A separate premises licensing application has also been through the statutory public consultation process and a premises licence has been granted.

2. Relationship with the Local Community

Big Fella Brewing intends to operate as part of the existing Lockey Farm business community and to provide local employment and a customer-facing taproom serving Arborfield and the surrounding area.

Occasional small-scale community-oriented activities may take place as part of the normal taproom operation, but the premises are not proposed as a separate dedicated events venue.

3. Ongoing Engagement

The applicant will continue to engage constructively with neighbouring occupiers and the local community as the business becomes operational, and will respond appropriately to any reasonable operational concerns that arise.