

Big Fella Brewing Ltd

BFB-NM-01 - Noise Management Statement

Lockey Farm, Sindlesham Road, Arborfield, RG2 9JH

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1. Purpose

This statement sets out the operational measures proposed to manage noise associated with the small commercial brewery and ancillary taproom. It is a management statement rather than a quantitative acoustic assessment.

2. Brewery operations

- Brewing and associated production equipment will be located within the existing building.
- No grain milling will take place on the premises; malt will be supplied pre-milled.
- No new external brewery plant is proposed.
- Routine brewery production will take place during daytime hours, with production operations entered on the application as 08:00-17:00 Monday to Friday.

3. Taproom and external customer area

- The taproom will operate within the hours stated in the planning application.
- The external seating area will be managed as part of the taproom rather than as a separate events venue.
- Music and customer activity will be managed at a level appropriate to the normal taproom use, with levels reduced where necessary to avoid unreasonable disturbance to neighbouring occupiers.
- Any entertainment will remain ancillary to the normal operation of the taproom.

4. Operational management

- Staff will maintain general oversight of noise from customers and music during opening hours.
- Where an operational noise issue is identified, reasonable steps will be taken promptly to reduce the source or level of noise.
- Any reasonable concerns raised by neighbouring occupiers will be considered and the operating arrangements reviewed where appropriate.

5. Further assessment

The applicant is able to obtain specialist acoustic advice if this is considered necessary by the Local Planning Authority following review of the application.

6. Summary

The proposal relies primarily on internal brewery operations, the absence of on-site grain milling and new external brewery plant, and active management of customer activity and music. These measures are intended to limit the potential for unreasonable noise disturbance while allowing the premises to operate as a small brewery and taproom.

This statement should be read with the Planning Statement and submitted drawings.