

Melanie Steadman

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Dear Ms Steadman,

I enclose a letter in support of Mr & Mrs Speed's application for an alcohol licence at Betley Court Farm.

Your sincerely,

Mr & Mrs Ainsworth

Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council,
Castle House,
Barracks Road,
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ST5 1BL.

Mr & Mrs Ainsworth,
11, Ladygates,
Betley,
Nr Crewe,
CW3 9AN.

19th July 2022,

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Application for an annual alcohol licence for events held at Betley Court Farm

We have lived in Betley for almost 29 years, and we wish to record our support for Mr and Mrs Speed's application for a licence.

We have personally visited the Betley Show and the Betley Bonfire on numerous occasions. We have also attended a musical concert some years ago (I think only one of two held at the Farm), and more recently an outdoor production of "Annie" (this at a time when indoor musicals were banned because of Covid). On a more personal level, our daughter's wedding reception was held in a marquee at the Farm in June 2014, and we are regular customers at the Tea Room.

We can confirm that all of the events we have attended have been both enjoyable and well organised.

In our experience, the following have been properly addressed at all of the events we have attended:

1. Protection of children from harm; this by a large number of villagers volunteering to oversee, police presence where necessary, (usually for traffic management), and any potentially harmful farm equipment being kept locked away on the farm premises.

Notification is given to villagers well in advance when a big event is occurring, for example the 2022 Betley show event in August.

2. Prevention of Crime and Disorder - Again, there is always a police presence at larger public events, and volunteer stewards are appointed largely from within the village, to assist the public and make sure proper procedures are adhered too.
3. Prevention of public nuisance - As above
4. Protection of public safety - As above

In our experience Mr & Mrs Speed's excellent organisation and oversight of the various public events we have attended, ably assisted by experienced committees drawn from within the village, have ensured that they have run smoothly and without any significant mishaps, as evidenced by the large numbers attending year on year, both from within the village and further afield.

Yours sincerely,


P.R. Ainsworth


J. Ainsworth