COMMITTEE:	CENTRAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE:	27 MARCH 2013
TITLE:	APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE –
	BACHWEN FARM, CLYNNOG FAWR, CAERNARFON
PURPOSE:	FOR DECISION
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF THE REGULATORY DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION

An application is appended for a premises licence for Bachwen Farm, Clynnog Fawr, Caernarfon, LL54 5NH by Mr John Clifford and Ms Helen Plaumer. The premises is in a rural area within nine acres of private land and includes eight holiday cottages and a barn that has been converted for visitors.

The applicant is applying for a licence to sell alcohol from 10am up to 01.00am, seven days a week. An application is also made for recorded music, the performance of dance and to sell late night refreshments up to 01.00am. A request is made for the permission to show films and the performance of plays and live music until 11pm. Live music is subject to the exemptions submitted in the Live Music Act 2012. This means that live music is not a licensed activity in a licensed premises or workplace up to 11pm for an audience of fewer than 200 people.

A request is made for permission to be granted for licensable activities (with the exemption of the sale of alcohol) to be held inside and outside of the premises for the hours noted.

Permission is sought to open the premises to the public between 10am and 1.30 the following morning, seven days a week.

The Police has discussed the application with the applicant prior to submitting the application, and it is noted in the observations received by the Police that the application is in accordance with the discussions held, and therefore the Police does not object to the application.

CONSULTATIONS

The application was consulted upon and the responses received were as follows -

RESPONSES	OBSERVATIONS
Local member	No observations
Community Council	No observations
Police	E-mail – observations and no objection
Neighbouring residents	Five letters, 2 e-mails – objections
Uwchgwyrfai Historical Centre, Clynnog Fawr	Letter - objection
Ebenezer Chapel (MC) Clynnog Fawr	Letter - objection
Fire Service	A letter – observations, no objections
Public Protection Officer, Gwynedd Council	E mail – observations on noise conditions

See enclosed full details of the observations received.

SUMMARY OF THE OBSERVATIONS AND THE GROUNDS FOR OBJECTION

Local residents and organisations

Object to the application on the basis of the four licensing objectives, namely-

• Crime and disorder prevention

- Public Safety
- Prevention of public nuisance
- Protection of children from harm

Specifically, in relation to the licensing objectives, reference is made to the potential of crime and disorder in the context of the policing level in a small and rural community. Many have expressed their concerns regarding the safety of children and people on the access road which is also a public footpath down to the beach.

All those who have sent a letter objecting to the application also have concerns about the potential of noise nuisance to nearby residents in the community.

A large number of those who object to the application are concerned that the application is not in keeping with the nature and culture of the area, but these considerations, although they are important considerations within communities, are not considerations that are relevant to the licensing objectives.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is requested to consider the application in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.