

Noise Management Plan for The White Hart, Wimborne for the Folk Festival 11th June to the 14th June 2026

During the festival period we will have the following measures in place.

One point of entry and exit via the rear car park to allow numbers to be monitored by security staff. Numbers will be clicked in and out to ensure that numbers on site are kept within capacity to ensure safety at all times. Security to be requested to ensure that noise is kept to a minimum during entry and exit to the premises. Anyone deemed to be unable to comply will be asked to leave.

Stage to be sited in its usual location approximately 1 meter from the rear wall and in front of the garages which will provide the best sound proofing between the carpark and the houses at the rear. The stage has however been lowered this year to again try to minimise sound travelling over the wall. The organisers have booked sound blankets/acoustic matting to be placed behind the stage to direct sound to travel towards the pub and dampen sound travelling. This will again minimise sound travel to the nearest houses.

Fixed marquee this year over the entire carpark, with walls if required for weather proofing should it rain during the event.

A sound engineer will be onsite for the entirety of the event to constantly monitor noise levels, noise monitoring equipment has been booked for this as well as other equipment required for the event and the engineer is fully aware of the levels stipulated within our license.

The DPS shall be carrying out decibel/sound readings along with the sound engineer throughout the event at all particular vulnerable areas. At the houses most at risk of sound disturbance. This being the row of houses behind the garages at the rear of the property and the houses out the front of the pub on the corn market. These readings will be photographed as evidence throughout the day. The DPS has an event noise monitoring form which shall be completed during the event for each day. The DPS shall be onsite at all times and shall ensure noise is kept within limits and that timings of each evening are adhered to at all times. Ensuring music is ended within stipulated times..

All music on each of the days will be ending the latest time of 22.50 and outside bars shall shut regardless of pub licence at these times to minimise ongoing sound in outside areas. Music and bar shall shut early outside on the Sunday 14th at 21.00 again to minimise disruption to neighbours.

Security has been booked for the event who will have radio contact with each other, myself and the event organiser so any issues can be dealt with quickly and competently.

The variety of bands booked are mainly folk or bluegrass origins for this festival, and will be playing from 6pm till 10pm on the Thursday 11th 12pm-11pm on the Friday 12th. 12pm-11pm on Saturday 13th and 12pm-9pm on Sunday 14th.

All drinks will be served in plastic vessels and food will only be served from the BBQ with plenty of bins on site.

No generators will be required for this event as we have power points at the rear of the car park suitable for any equipment required so the principal noise will be from the music which will be fully controlled by an experienced sound engineer.

Any contact or concerns should be raised to myself Naomi Allen the DPS either on

