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As a retired [REDACTED] and as a [REDACTED] I can confidently say that most disorder and disturbance is alcohol related. Child Okeford is a rural location and subsequently suffers with a lack of Police cover. There are no public transport links. This in turn raises the possibility of an increase in drink drive related incidents. One of the fatal 5. There is no lighting on the community centre or street lighting in the village which could increase the risk of intoxicated people walking on the in the dark. The community centre is surrounded by residential properties some with young families. I question if the alcohol and a very late opening license is compatible with village life.

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The Trustees have been made fully aware and have ignored my requests to make the fire escape doors legally and insurance compliant. The doors have the incorrect locks as stated in their insurance schedule. You can not open them correctly and quickly in the event of a fire as is a requirement. The back and front doors do not meet the recommendations for fire escapes. They are too narrow to allow disabled exits and do not have the recommended area to allow wheel chairs to exit quickly and efficiently. I have raised these concerns and they have been ignored. The windows do not meet the insurance schedule. They need to be closed and locked when the premises is empty. This does not happen. At the time of writing this, windows are open in an empty building allowing the possibility of children accessing the premises where alcohol could be stored. (evidence available). The insurance schedule states windows must be key locked. Numerous windows do not have the keys to lock them. Therefore in breach of the insurance. (evidence available if required). I also have evidence that the building is at times left unlocked when unoccupied. I have gained access through unlocked doors. Again, children could access alcohol on the premises. Numerous children play in the playing field and round the Community Centre unsupervised as it is deemed safe. I do not believe the Trustees are responsible, considerate or knowledgeable enough to allow alcohol on the premises. There is no outside lighting for an emergency evacuation and the local roads do not have street lights. Cars parked in the car park block the emergency gate to allow emergency vehicles to access the field to the Community Centre. A fire engine would not be able to make the turning through the gate should a fire break out as the car park does not comply with the measurements required and the distance to the rear of the community centre is above that required for a fire appliance to reach when parked. Again issue raised with the Trustees and ignored. I believe the Alcohol license should be refused on the grounds that Public safety is at risk and there is not full protection for children from harm. Should an incident occur any claimant faces the possibility of not being insured due to numerous failings by the Trustees to fulfil their duties as stated in their insurance schedule.