MEMORANDUM

Horsham District Council

To: **Halima Chowdhury**
Planning Officer

Ref: **DISC/24/0164**

From: **Mark Nicholls, Environmental Health**

Date: **23/07/2023**

Proposal: Change of use of agricultural building to an events venue (Full Application).

Address: Eatons Farm, The Village, Ashurst, Steyning,

1.0 Introduction and Case Background

1.1 Area

Existing Farming type buildings located in its own property in a rural area. This is a single skin wooden building with no sound or insulation to the walls or roof.

1.2 History

The property has been used for events and noise complaints of statutory nuisance have been received from properties in the surrounding area.

Food safety is a concern without a mains water supply on site. The application describes the use of external caterers, while external caterers can supply their own water there is no control over numbers attending an event and the amount of water that they can provide to ensure food safety and personal hygiene of catering staff. Concern is that there is no control for numbers attending. Noise surveys are also required for increased traffic and from amplified and non-amplified music.

1.3 Request for further information from agent.

An email requesting the required information before the application could be supported by this department has been sent to the agent. These are two noise surveys and detail on a potable water supply. These may take some time to organise and complete. I will advise on a time scale once I have a response from the agent.

2.0 Conclusion

This department cannot support the application without the above requested further information.

Mark Nicholls
Environmental Health Practitioner

Environmental Health and Licencing