



DEAR Sirs,

Re: Tawmorbury Woods. Wedding
Venue.

I am writing to oppose the above
Venue ~~due~~ to the following reasons.
I have kept my horses and ponies up
at the farm which is adjacent to
the woods in fact my field adjoins
the woods.

When I first kept my horses there
approximately 15 years ago. Tawmorbury
Woods (cottage) was used as an up
market place to stay and occasional
weddings were held there. (Approx 3/4 per yr)
I used to ride my horses in the
woods so was well aware of what
it was like.

In those days we used to
shut the main gates to the farm
and the gates adjoining the woods
for safety of the livestock.

In approx 2013 the weddings really increased.

The flow of traffic into the venue is a nightmare as the track to the woods is right in the middle of the farm yard of a working farm where livestock had to be moved and day to day business adhered to.

I personally have to lead my horse(s) to their field twice daily and have personally had extreme near misses with cars going to the wedding - travelling very fast although there are numerous warnings etc.

On one occasion my horses were extremely upset by the cars going to a wedding - whereby they have to come very close to them due to the fact they have to go over the farm track to get to the wedding.

The horses bolted (I was leading them) which involved me having 12 stitches in my head at Q.A. hospital.

One Saturday I was up with my horse in the summer and in under an hour 32 cars had gone past my yard; this can go on all day and night.

I was putting my horse out in the
Summer approx 6pm when I caught two
children "playing" in Mr. Phillips hay
barn. I'm sure they were having a
lively time but it is very dangerous.
I asked them where they had come
from and they replied "the wedding!"

The barns are adjacent to the back
into the woods.

Seven times last Summer the gate
to my field was left open and my
horse ~~got~~ got out. The problem being
that guests to the wedding walk all
over the farm as there isn't any
"gatekeepers" or security. In fact they
have used my stable as a toilet!!

I believe that the situation regarding
Safety has become untenable and is
now on the point of a serious accident
occurring. I know have to make sure
I walk my horse in from his field
wearing Hi Viz!

I'm on the understanding that Mr.
Phillips had offered an alternative
access to the venue without using
the farmyard which surely is a
sensible option.

Lastly, I do wish to point out that nobody is against anyone trying to run a business on their own land but safety must be taken into account and the farm yard is no place for 50-100 cars going through constantly. As I started by saying it has recently got bad over the last couple of years; it really is a beautiful wood and has its own unique heritage and history points.

Yours faithfully,

