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Sent: 03 May 2022 09:39
To: Lee Jakeman
Subject: Funfair

Dear Mr. Jakeman,

sometime ago I attended a full council meeting at the Castle Hall. The agenda contained an item re the above. I made an oral representation, explaining the Fair's poor record over noise nuisance. (I handed copies of my presentation to the Clerk of the meeting).

After discussion, the Mayor decided to 'transfer' the matter to the Events Committee.

The Funfair arrived at the end of last week.

Whilst its siting was better than before, the music it played over the weekend was still audible on Southwell and the Endowed playing field. Many, like me, use these for exercise and of course the former and 'roads off' comprise a residential area.

For residents of Riverside and also Friars St, where I live, the 'booming' base/ drums of every music track was irritatingly audible outdoors and for me, occasionally indoors, even though I am 'hearing impaired'. Residents should not have to endure such intrusion. They do have a legal right to 'quietly enjoy' their properties.

As always, there are residents who tolerate these intrusions. Others complain but say nothing officially. Please be assured that I am not the only voice against this sort of unnecessary noise because I speak to many 'locals' regularly. Unfortunately, in this area, there have been other creators of unnecessary noise nuisance. Shropshire Council have been involved after residents' complaints.

As I said at the meeting, this Fair is an anachronism, it adds nothing to the Town. How many residents attend it and is it an attraction for genuine tourists?

A Council instigated residents' survey in 2011 highlighted the Fair as one of the 'misuses' of Severn Park. The same survey emphasised a request that, if the Park is to be used for events, these do not involve excess noise.

I can but urge the Town Council to refuse to allow this Fair any presence in this public space. Thank you, in anticipation of your assistance.

Yours sincerely, Peter Randell.