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Good morning

I am contacting you to oppose the application for the dog kennels that have been designated to be built next to our riding school.

I am new to the yard so have only just found out this information.

As a Health and Safety Manager I have carried out my own risk assessment on this proposal and the likelihood and severity of accidents is extremely high.

The school lends itself to well over 25 young children and adults alike. Of those children several have learning disabilities.

Horses very often get spooked and frightened and have dogs barking could very easily set them off and cause a serious accident and possibly a fatality.

Whilst the setup of the runs has been designed for dogs not to see other dogs they will still smell them and when they bark set each other off. My father was a police dog handler so I am well aware how dogs communicate, exercise and rest. The movement of the horses will also set the dogs off which is equally not compatible. In addition if a dog were to escape the consequences would be catastrophic.

It was mentioned that dogs roam freely in the yard, this is an unacceptable distortion of the truth. The owners dog a small breed is off the lead but does not bark at the horses. There are two liveries with a dog and these dogs are kept on a lead with the owner.

Seeing how poorly Wadars maintain the fences and the fields for the horses needs also to be addressed because if the kennels are maintained the same way dogs will be escaping all the time.

I was a founder member of Wadars at its inception over 25 years ago, so I am always in support of their ethos but not when it's dangerous, impracticable and could cause serious injury or loss of life.

This is an application where clearly H&S issues have not been considered.

There should be a consideration to relocating the kennels where there can be no interference to the horses and riders.

I would welcome a discussion or response to my communication.

Many thanks

Karen

