

Dear Resident

Thank you for your communication this past weekend regarding fireworks at De Vere Horsley Estate on Friday 31st July.

The fireworks display formed part of a private event and all necessary permissions and licences were obtained from the local authority in advance of the event, as well as risk assessments from the commercial firework company. In light of current weather conditions, we also engaged with Surrey Fire and Rescue Service on several occasions in the approach to the event and also Surrey Police in advance of the event and followed the guidance provided by the relevant authorities.

At no point were we advised that the fireworks display should not go ahead.

We completely understand why you have contacted us and appreciate that the current conditions may cause concern for local residents. The safety of our guests, our neighbours, our team, and the surrounding countryside is something we take extremely seriously. Due to the feedback, we have received, we escalated the issue within our business and, notwithstanding that all necessary approvals were in place for Friday's event, we have taken the decision to suspend firework displays at De Vere Horsley Estate until further notice.

Whilst I have received several requests from private residents for meetings, yesterday I met with representatives from East Horsley Parish Council so that they, as representatives of the community, can cascade the information that I have shared.

Best Regards,

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