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To who it may concern.

To say I am disappointed, saddened, and angry about the cancellation of this wonderful festival is an understatement. I have attended this event for a number of years and have found it to be the most friendly and welcoming mass attendance event I have ever been to. I have attended as a "punter" and a volunteer.

The clientele at Cambridge Rock Festival is not your stereotypical festival goers. The emphasis is on the enjoyment of the music, meeting up with old friends and making new ones.

I have never seen any antisocial or rowdy behaviour; the site is treated with respect and left clean and tidy.

Having spoken to the SIA staff they also love the event as they have little or nothing to do.

Is alcohol consumed? Of course, it is! To excess? No.

The stewarding is outstanding, helpful, empathic and knowledgeable.

I am sure that with even just a little research any worries about anti-social behaviour would prove to be in founded.

This isn't Download, Glastonbury or Creamfields where illegal drugs are rife, excess alcohol consumption is the norm.

This is a festival run by and for music fans, with some of the very best artists of their genre both old and new.

The event has been held at this venue before with no issues. Had there been any concerns then, surely, the venue would not have welcomed the 2023 event.

A majority of the attendees are there for the whole event, arriving Thursday, leaving Monday thus minimising vehicle disruption, any vehicles queueing is on site and not on the surrounding roads

There is a reason Cambridge Rock Festival is looking forward to celebrating 20 years whilst others have fallen by the wavside.

It's well organised, well attended and behaves itself.

To lose this wonderful event would be a tragedy, bordering on the criminal.

I look forward to hearing the rationale behind the decision not allow CRF23 to go ahead.

Kind regards,

Ken Baptist

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