

Naomi Wopling

From: Cllr J. Pearce
Sent: 10 March 2016 08:17
To: Naomi Wopling
Cc: Thurlestone Parish Clerk
Subject: RE: New premises licence application - Gastrobus, Bantham Beach

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Dear Naomi

Thurlestone parish council (Bantham is in Thurlestone parish) discussed this matter at their recent meeting and will be making their own appropriate response.

Whilst the Gastrobus does a wonderful job refreshing and refueling surfers and walkers alike, I am not convinced that this is the right venue for alcohol sales, especially as the Sloop is so close. It is always open to everyone to take alcohol to the beach, but this is not something that I have ever noticed is prevalent at Bantham. They are spared the worst of the night-time BBQ menace because the beach is only accessible by foot after dusk.

It is also surprising that they are only applying between May and September. The Gastrobus has been firmly in place daily on the beach car park since the beginning of February half term, and is there way into October too.

Have you consulted the life saving station on the beach? The council, I understand pays towards this service. They may have comments to make on this application.

I feel there are risks on all four objection grounds:

Disorder: there is a huge number of teenagers and youth on the beach at peak times who may not assess well their capacity to absorb alcohol. Parents may be less vigilant than usual in the beach environment.


Public safety: Bantham is never a safe bathing beach and everyone has to be vigilant at all times. Any inbibing of alcohol before swimming here is akin to drink driving.

Nuisance: said youth could well be a disturbance to the family groups on the beach.

Protection of children: one of the joys of the Gastrobus is that it is a safe environment for children to buy their own drinks and ices. This would change were alcohol available.

Kind regards
Judy

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Judy Pearce
Member, Salcombe and Thurlestone Ward
South Hams District Council


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From: Alison Seldon <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 11 March 2016 11:19
To: SH-Licensing
Subject: Gastrobus Bantham

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Naomi,

This license application for the Gastrobus at Bantham was discussed at the March meeting of Loddiswell Parish Council and they unanimously voted to object most strongly to this mobile premises getting an alcohol license. Bantham beach is the nearest beach to Loddiswell and is heavily used by people from this village.

They object on the following grounds:

- **Public safety** - this beach is infamous for it's rip currents which are hazardous to swimmers, surfers and small boats. The RNLI and Bantham Surf Life Rescue patrol this beach and regularly have to rescue people who have been caught out by the power of the sea. At the moment people at least have to get dressed and leave the beach to buy alcohol from the local pub or shop. If alcohol is made easily available for purchase on the beach front itself, it will place temptation too close and alcohol and rip tides simply do not mix - it is dangerous enough if you are fully alert and sober.
- **The protection of children from harm** - this beach is a massive family attraction, there could easily be 1000 + people on this beach during the height of summer. But adults must be alert to supervising their children in the water. Encouraging adults to drink will affect their ability to safely supervise their children.
- **The prevention of crime and disorder** - this is a quiet family-oriented beach situated in the AONB, it is not a party-zone.
- **The prevention of public nuisance** - this is a quiet family-oriented beach situated in the AONB, it is not a party-zone.

Please will you acknowledge receipt of this objection?

Kind regards

|| *Alison Seldon*

|| *Clerk to Loddiswell Parish Council*

Naomi Wopling

From: Philip Millard <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 18 March 2016 20:19
To: Naomi Wopling
Cc: Jack Rhymes; Jill Munn; Kit Marshall; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Gastrobus Treats - premises licence application

Thanks Naomi

The Parish Council would comment as follows.

We feel that there are risks on all four objection grounds:

Disorder - Whilst it is appreciated that young adults/teenagers will be restricted to consuming alcohol at the Gastrobus - this would not prevent them, then going onto the beach drunk and causing disorder. Who would monitor excess alcohol consumption? Would there need to be a police presence in peak season?

Public Safety - Bantham has rip tides and consumption of alcohol by swimmers or surfers could be highly dangerous.

Nuisance - Groups of Young adults/teenagers potentially drunk could well be a disturbance to family groups on the beach.

Protection of children - Currently children can purchase drinks and ice creams in a safe environment - could this be guaranteed if alcohol is sold alongside?

Kind Regards
Phil Millard
Parish Clerk
Thurlestone

Naomi Wopling

From: Environmental Health (Business Support Unit Only)
Sent: 24 March 2016 16:37
To: Naomi Wopling
Subject: FW: Submitted via Web Site

From: noreply@swdevon.gov.uk [mailto:noreply@swdevon.gov.uk]
Sent: 23 March 2016 14:52
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comments Dear Sir / Madam, In certain sections of society in this country we have a problem with alcohol, with a public house environment one can generally control the sale point of alcohol. Selling in a car park to a beach this is almost impossible to police to the end user. People will bring alcohol to the beach but are restricted by the amount they can carry with everything else they wish to bring which reduces their consumption. To have an outlet on the beach car park will probably lead to over consumption and bad behaviour as I have been told happens at Bigbury-on-sea on occasions. Alcohol exuberance could also be very disruptive to young families enjoying a day at the beach. Bantham beach is a dangerous beach due to its rip currents and I feel it is not fair to place the life guards in danger in having to rescue people who may get into difficulty due to the consumption of alcohol at any level sold at the beach. Since the introduction of the Gastrobus it has had a financial impact on the local pub and shop. It would be a shame the viability of these two businesses were to fail, losing an important part of the community and its employment for the gain of very few with this alcohol application. It is a shame that Bantham Estate have not looked at the detrimental side of this application before letting the Gastrobus apply. I hope the application will be turned down on the grounds of safety and impact of possible disruptiveness on other beach users. Yours sincerely Peter Weedy
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