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Dear Councillor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a meeting of the **REGULATORY COMMITTEE** will be held in the Council Chamber at these Offices on Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 10.00 am when the following business will be transacted.

Members of the public who require further information are asked to contact Jemma Duffield on (01304) 872305 or by e-mail at jemmaduffield@dover.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jemma Duffield", written over a white background.

Chief Executive

Regulatory Committee Membership:

B W Butcher (Chairman)
P S Le Chevalier (Vice-Chairman)
B Gardner
S J Jones
D P Murphy

AGENDA

1 **APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 **APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

To note appointment of Substitute Members.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Page 3)

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.

4 **MINUTES** (Pages 4 - 8)

To confirm the attached Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 18 July 2017.

PROCEDURE FOR HEARING (Pages 9 - 11)

The procedure for the Hearing is attached.

5 **HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 115E - PORT OF CALL, MARKET SQUARE, DOVER** (Pages 12 - 21)

To consider the attached report of the Licensing Team Leader.

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Declarations of Interest

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.

Minutes of the meeting of the **REGULATORY COMMITTEE** held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Tuesday, 18 July 2017 at 10.02 am.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor B W Butcher

Councillors: B Gardner
S J Jones
D P Murphy

Officers: Head of Legal Services
Licensing Team Leader
Democratic Support Officer

1 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor P S Le Chevalier.

2 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

There were no substitute Members appointed.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor B Gardner declared a Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI) in Minute no 5 by reason that he used to be a customer at the ice cream van.

4 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16 May 2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982
APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT

The Committee considered an application by Mr M Nobbs for permission to trade from an ice cream van on Deal Promenade (north east corner of Marine Road, Deal) every day from 11:00hrs to 18:00hrs between 1 March to 31 October each year. The application was for the sale of soft ice cream, frozen lollies and chilled drinks.

The Licensing Team Leader advised the Committee that following the 28 day consultation period one representation was received objecting to the application. Members were advised that attempts had been made by the Licensing Team to contact the representor to attempt mediation however it had not been possible to

speak with them. In accordance with the approved procedure, Mr Nobbs presented his application to the Committee and addressed the concerns raised by the objector. He was an experienced trader having been trading for more than thirty years and served high quality fresh ice cream, the variety which he believed was not sold elsewhere in the vicinity of the proposed location. The siting of the van would be approximately half a mile away from the Beach Parlour which also sold ice cream and was the nearest competitive outlet of half a dozen ice cream shops in the town. Whilst most of the products sold from the van were consumable, Mr Nobbs was committed to keeping the area around his van clean and tidy and would provide a bin for customers' use as well as collecting litter in the area 2 – 3 times a day. Mr Nobbs believed the ice cream van would add to the atmosphere of the area and that it would add to the coastal charm and in his experience the ice cream van was regularly visited by walkers and cyclists.

RESOLVED: That the application by Mr M Nobbs for Street Trading Consent to trade from an ice cream van on Deal Promenade (north east corner of Marine Road, Deal) every day from 11:00hrs to 18:00hrs between 1 March to 31 October each year be APPROVED for a period not exceeding 12 months.

6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982
APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT

The Committee considered an application by Mr Taha Sadiq for permission to trade from a towable catering trailer in Beaconsfield Road, Dover between the hours of 11:00hrs to 21:00hrs Monday to Saturday. The application was to sell burgers, shawarma, chips, falafel, drinks, rice and sauces.

The Licensing Team Leader advised that three representations had been received objecting to the application during the consultation period. There were concerns from those making representation that there were many empty shops in the vicinity and it would be unfair to trade from a catering trailer. Other concerns included cooking smells, noise and the congregation of customers obstructing the pavement to pedestrians.

In accordance with the approved procedure the applicant's representative presented the application to the Committee and sought to address some of the concerns raised by the objectors. Members were advised that it was a static trailer that would not be moved. There would be very little cooking smell produced as there was no high fat food being cooked and customers would be served quickly and would not have reason to congregate at the trailer which would also help to alleviate the concerns regarding noise. In addition, Members were advised that a generator was not required to power the trailer as the only power required was to power a hot plate. The applicant advised that it was not viable to occupy one of the empty shops due to their budget. With the consent of the Committee a photo on the applicant's phone of the trailer was shown to the Committee.

In accordance with the approved procedure the Committee and the Head of Legal Services withdrew to consider the application and upon returning it was

RESOLVED: That, having considered the application, the objections and the legal advice in relation to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 – Schedule 4, paragraph 7 and the

Council's Policy Guidelines in relation to Street Trading Consents, the application for Street Training Consent be REFUSED by reason that there was not sufficient reason to depart from criteria (b) as there was already sufficient food outlets and criteria (c), that there was insufficient space on the pavement on London Road and there would be undue inconvenience and interference caused to pedestrians.

7 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 115E - PORT OF CALL, MARKET SQUARE, DOVER

The Committee considered the report of the Licensing Team Leader on an application by Mr Robin Norris of the Port of Call, 18-19 Market Square, Dover for a Street Furniture permit to allow the placement of 22 tables and 88 chairs at the front of the premises. The tables and chairs would be cast iron and placed between 10:00hrs to 22:00hrs every day between 1 April to 1 October.

Following the 28 day consultation period two representations had been received objecting to the placing of the tables and chairs and stated that the furniture would be unsafe for pedestrians as it would encroach onto the pedestrianised area. In his absence, the Licensing Team Leader read out a statement submitted by the applicant which addressed the concerns of the representations. The applicant clarified the siting of the furniture and that there would be a clear thoroughfare for pedestrians by way of a pathway between the bollards and permanent flower beds in the vicinity of the proposed area and pedestrians would unlikely cause issues for passing traffic which had restricted access to the pedestrian zone.

In addition, the applicant believed that alfresco dining in the Market Square benefitted the area and helped to deter some of the anti-social activities taking place and in turn would enhance the tourist experience and benefit trade as a whole. Councillor B Gardner queried the siting of the tables and chairs in relation to the corner of 19 Market Square and required some clarity of the plans which had been provided by the applicant. The Licensing Team Leader was unable to answer Councillor Gardner's queries.

In accordance with the approved procedure the Committee and the Head of Legal Services withdrew to consider the application. Upon reconvening the Head of Legal Services advised that due to insufficient information and the non-attendance of the applicant, a number of questions remained unanswered and that there was insufficient information to make a decision. The Committee would defer the consideration of the application to the next scheduled meeting of the Regulatory Committee in September.

8 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor B W Butcher, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the remainder of the business on the grounds that the items to be considered involved the

likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

The Committee considered the report of the Licensing Team Leader on an application for a Joint Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's Licence where an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service had shown previous convictions that were relevant to the decision as to the applicant's suitability as a fit and proper person to hold a licence to drive a taxi in the Dover District.

In accordance with the approved procedure Members offered the applicant the opportunity to present evidence concerning the circumstances surrounding the convictions.

The Committee withdrew to consider its decision and upon resuming the Head of Legal Services explained that she had advised the Committee in relation to the Council's Policy guidelines and Sections 51 and 59 of Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 in so far as they related to the applicant's suitability as a fit and proper person.

RESOLVED: That having regard to the evidence, the Committee considered that the applicant was a fit and proper person in accordance with Sections 51 and 59 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and that the application for a Joint Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licence be granted for an initial period of six months; and

- (a) That the Licensing Team Leader will monitor and review the applicant's performance for the duration of this period and;
- (b) That providing there are no issues during the initial six months the licence will be granted for a further six months.

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The meeting ended at 12.07 pm.

DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

REGULATORY COMMITTEE PROCEDURE FOR HEARINGS

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRELIMINARIES		
1	Chairman	The Chairman invites all present to introduce themselves.
2	Chairman	The Chairman advises the applicant of the reason for the hearing and the procedure.
3	Legal Adviser	The applicant is asked to confirm receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the agenda • Licensing Officer's report • Council's policy guidelines • procedure for hearing
HEARING		
4	Licensing Officer	The Licensing Officer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advises of the purpose of the hearing • presents the Licensing Officer's report • summarises any issues
5	Licensing Officer	The Licensing Officer may call any witnesses. Each witness in turn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will give evidence • may be questioned by the applicant or applicant's representatives • may be questioned by the Committee • may, if necessary, be re-questioned by the Licensing Officer
6	Applicant or applicant's representative	The applicant is asked to present his/her case and any particular issues (including whether the applicant accepts the facts presented or wishes to correct them).
7	Applicant or applicant's representative	The applicant or the applicant's representative may call any witnesses (including the applicant themselves). Each witness in turn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will give evidence • may be questioned by the Licensing Officer • may be questioned by the Committee • may, if necessary, be re-questioned by the applicant/applicant's representative.
8	Members of the Committee	The Committee may ask further questions of any of the parties or any witnesses for the purpose of obtaining further relevant information or clarification.
9	Licensing Officer	The Licensing Officer may give their final submission.
10	Applicant or applicant's representative	The applicant/applicant's representative may give their final submission.

DETERMINATION		
11	Members	The Committee withdraws to consider its determination in private. The Legal Adviser and Clerk may be requested by the Chairman to assist the Committee.
12	Members	If the Committee requires any further information from any party or any further evidence, all parties will be recalled and the meeting reconvened. Any Member of the Committee who has not been present during the whole of the proceedings must not take part in the decision making.
13	Legal Adviser	The Committee reconvenes. Any legal advice given to the Committee in private will be summarised to the Applicant.
14	Chairman	The decision of the Committee is given to all parties.

NOTES

1. The opportunities given to the parties within this procedure to ask questions should be used only for that purpose - to ask questions. The person asking the question will not be allowed to use this right as an opportunity to make statements.
2. Members of the Committee are, as a general rule, expected to ask questions of the various parties in accordance with this procedure. However circumstances may arise where it is desirable for a Member to seek immediate clarification or a point made by a witness or by a party during the course of giving evidence, answering questions being put to him by another party or making a submission. This should be permitted by the Chairman provided that the question is relevant and is conducive to the proper conduct of the hearing. Where additional questions are permitted after the Applicant's case has been summed up, the Applicant or his/her representative will always be given the final right of reply.
3. Under no circumstances must the parties or their witnesses offer members of the Committee information in the absence of the other party. Similarly Members must not attempt to gain information from any party at the hearing in the absence of the other. These are essential requirements of the proper application of the rules of natural justice.
4. The Chairman may vary this procedure as circumstances require but having full regard to adhering to the rules of natural justice.

Subject:	HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTION 115E – PORT OF CALL, MARKET SQUARE, DOVER
Meeting and Date:	REGULATORY COMMITTEE – 19 SEPTEMBER 2017
Report of:	Licensing Team Leader
Classification:	UNRESTRICTED
Purpose of the report:	Permission to site street furniture on the highway
Recommendation:	That the Committee determine the application

1. **Summary**

The regulation of the placing of tables and chairs on a highway is a statutory function of the Council under the Section 115E, of the Highways Act 1980.

2. **Introduction and Background**

2.1 Mr Robin Norris has applied for a Street Furniture permit to allow the placement of 22 tables and 88 chairs at the front of the premises, Port of Call, 18-19 Market Square, Dover. The application states that the furniture will be cast iron tables and chairs. Mr Norris has requested they be placed between 10:00hrs to 22:00hrs every day between 1 April – 1 October.

2.2 A copy of the application form is shown at **Appendix A**. A plan of the proposed siting of the street furniture is shown at **Appendix B**.

2.3 As part of the consultation process views have been sought from local businesses, Kent Highway Services and the Police. The application was also advertised at the site by way of a Notice and copies were delivered to nearby frontagers.

2.4 Two representations were received in respect of this application (see **Appendix C**), as follows:

Denise Smith objected to the placing of tables and chairs at the front of the property. She is a Dover Greeter, who meets cruise passengers at the shuttle bus stop and directs them to local visitor spots, and finds the use of this piece of land dangerous and intrusive. .

Liz Dimech objected on behalf of Castle Forum. They are not against the café culture, but object to any encroachment onto the designated walkway. They feel that this would be unsafe for elderly residents, visitors and cruise passengers.

2.5 This matter was brought before Regulatory Committee on 18 July 2017, however the Members had some questions for the applicant (who was not in attendance), so the matter was deferred to the next scheduled Regulatory Committee.

3 **Options available to the Committee:**

(1) To allow the application as applied for

- (2) To allow the application but with additional conditions
- (3) To reject the application.

Appendices

Appendix A – Application form

Appendix B – Location plan

Appendix C – Representations

Contact Officer: Rebecca Pordage, Licensing Team Leader. Ext.2279



Highways Act 1980 - Section 115

Application for a Street Furniture Licence

1. Applicant

Full name

ROBIN NORRIS

Date of birth

Address including postcode

SUITE 5 THE LIMES BUSINESS CENTRE
6 BROAD STREET
DEAL, KENT CT14 6ER

Telephone number(s)

Mobile number

-AS ABOVE-

Email address

2. Business

Name

PORT OF CALL T/A CAPPAGH CAPITAL

Address including postcode

18-19 MARKET SQUARE
DOVER
KENT CT16 1NX

Telephone

3. Licence Required

From (month) To (month)

Days

Between the times and

Number of tables

Number of chairs

Brief description of type and quality of tables and chairs
Please also provide photos if possible

4. Additional Information

Do you have toilets for customers to use? Yes No

If yes, please say how Many?

Have you sought the advice of the environmental health officer in respect of food hygiene and health and safety matters? Yes No

Have you ever been refused a street furniture Licence in this or any other areas? Yes No

If yes, please give details

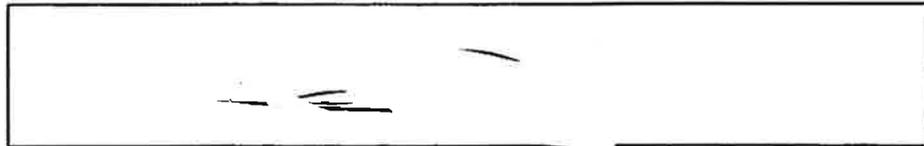
**PLANNING PERMISSION MAY BE REQUIRED
PLEASE TELEPHONE 01304 872042.**

5. Declaration

I enclose

- Plan showing dimensions of area of highway and proposed layout of street furniture (AS PER 2016 APPLICATION)
- Copy of Public Liability Insurance
- Fee: £75 Application Fee or £35 For Annual Renewal.
- I declare that I have checked the information given on this application form and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is correct.

Signature



Date

28/03/2017

Notes

1. If any person makes a false statement or omits any material particular in giving the foregoing information knowingly he may be guilty of an offence and liable to prosecution. In addition the licence may be revoked forthwith.
2. Please complete this form on a computer or in block capital letters and return it to
Licensing
Dover District Council
White Cliffs Business Park
Dover CT16 3PJ

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Date		Time	Officer
Receipt number		Fee	£
Licence number		Issue date	

To Whom It May Concern

22nd February, 2017

Dear Sirs,

**Broxpoint (K) Ltd, The Brill UK LLP, Keystone House Ltd,
Deal by Sea Ltd, Cappagh Capital Ltd and Robin Norris**

We act as Insurance Brokers to the above Company and confirm brief details of our Client's insurance cover for your information as follow:-

Employer's Liability

Insurer: Allianz Insurance plc
Policy No: SZ/26616530
Expiry Date: 31st January, 2018
Cover Basis: Insurers will indemnify the above client in respect of their legal liability to pay compensation and claimants' costs and expenses in respect of death, bodily injury, illness or disease sustained by employees during the course of their employment in the Insured's business.
Limit: £10,000,000 any one occurrence, costs inclusive

Public/Products Liability

Insurer: Allianz Insurance plc
Policy No: SZ/26616530
Expiry Date: 31st January, 2018
Cover Basis: Insurers will indemnify the above client in respect of their legal liability to pay compensation and claimants' costs and expenses in respect of death, bodily injury, illness or disease and third party property damage arising out of their business, including products sold or supplied.
Limit: £5,000,000 any one occurrence and in the aggregate in respect of Products Liability
Excess: £250 each and every claim for Third Party Property Damage

We confirm that both sections include the "Indemnity to Principals Clause"

All cover is subject to Insurers policy terms and conditions. We trust that you will find the above details to be acceptable. Please contact us in writing should you have any further information on this insurance cover, as we shall be pleased to assist if we can. The letter is given without any liability to the writer or the company.

Yours faithfully,
pp. LDS Associates

Nicky Dullieu
Client Service Director

O - REPRESENTS 1 TABLE & 4 CHAIRS



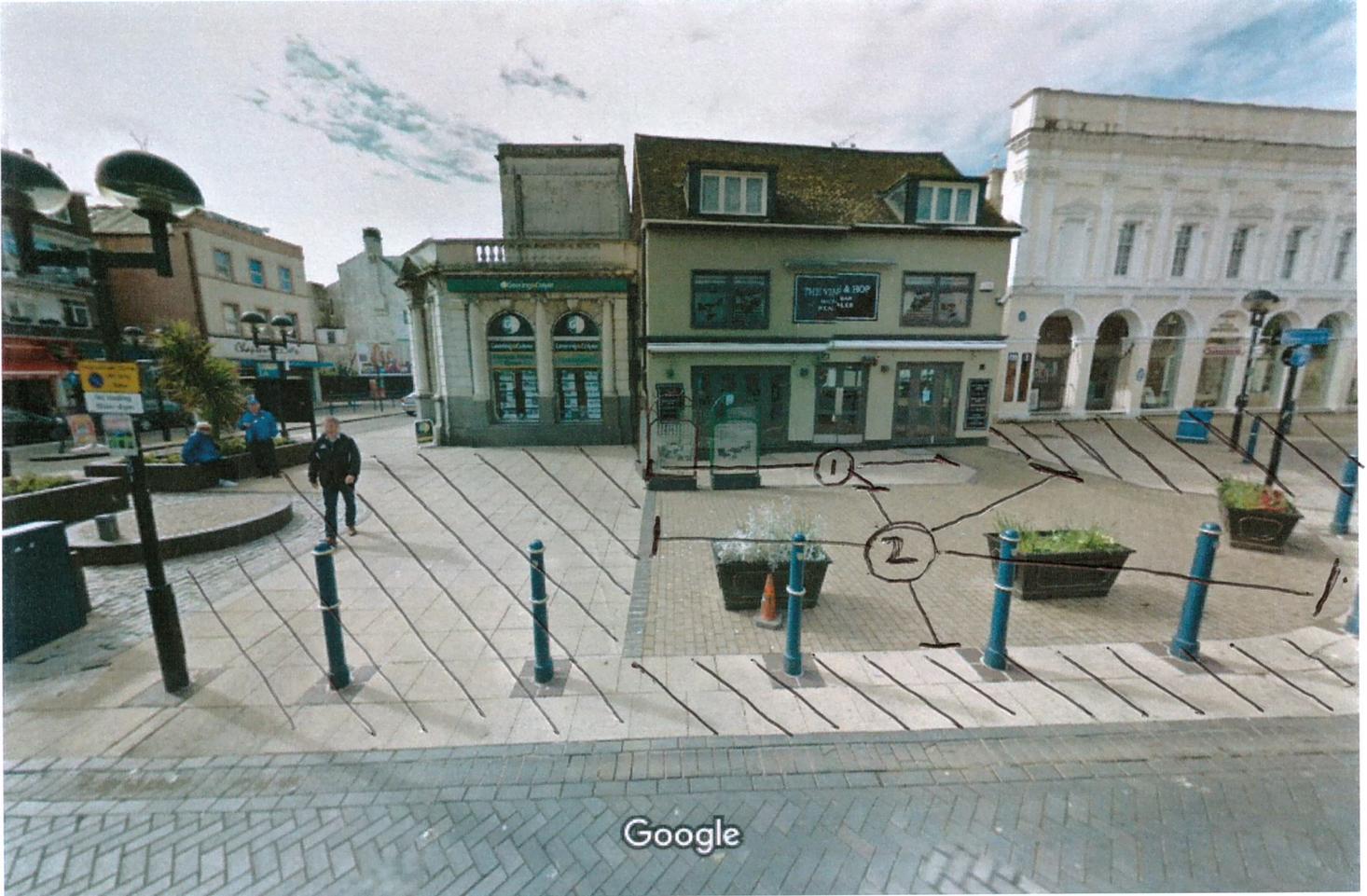


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Street View - May 2014



AREA REPRESENTS NO TABLES OR USE BY PUBLIC HOUSE

① - REPRESENTS OWNED BY PUBLIC HOUSE

② - REPRESENTS AREA REQUESTED TO LICENCE 22 TABLES AND 88 CHAIRS IN TOTAL (WITH AREA 1) SAME AS PREVIOUS LICENCE

Katy Sharp

From:
Sent: 20 June 2017 13:55
To: DDC Licuser
Subject: Planning application in Market Square

I am writing on behalf of Castle Forum, which is the neighbourhood forum for the Castle Ward, which includes the Market Square. We are concerned to see an application for Burger Bros to have permission to put 20 tables and 80 chairs on the outside of their premises. At the moment half that number of tables and chairs go outside and even then it is extremely difficult to walk around the Square without stepping into the road. I am not sure how far out they are permitted to put their chairs and tables, so I would be grateful if you could clarify that.

We would agree that the market square benefits from an outside cafe culture, but would object to any encroachment onto the designated walkway. Cars enter market square all times of the day so there must be a clear pavement for pedestrians. Elderly residents use that route from The Gateway Flats and visitors and cruise passengers, and they must be able to do so safely.

Can you take this as an objection to that large number of chairs and tables being permitted. If I need to do anything else can you let me know today as I am away on holiday tomorrow.

Many thanks,

Liz Dimech

On behalf of Castle Forum

Katy Sharp

From: Denise Smith
Sent: 18 June 2017 17:13
To: DDC Licuser
Cc: Debbie Dainton
Subject: Burger Brothers. Market Square

I saw a notice on the lamppost next to the above property. I understand they are seeking permission to put out 22 tables.

As a Dover Greeter, meeting cruise passengers at the shuttle bus stop and signposting them to the museum, into town or up to the Castle, we find the complete use of this piece of land as dangerous and intrusive. Very happy with some tables, but would ask that they are not taken right up to the side of the road.

Visitors walk on the roadway – grey bit ! – to get to the visitor Information office and museum and residents to the library. As more and more vehicles are using that road to use the banks and quite often come round the corner from the official road at quite high speed, it is quite dangerous and we would like to see a couple of feet perimeter left free, not sure how many tables this would leave, but it is rarely completely full except on rare very sunny days.

Do we need to put in an official complaint ?

Denise Smith