
Subject:	Highways Act 1980 – Section 115E – The Toll Bridge Bar and Restaurant, 7 Fishermans Wharf, Sandwich
Meeting and Date:	Regulatory Committee – 24 May 2022
Report of:	Rebecca Pordage, Licensing Manager
Classification:	Unrestricted

Purpose of the report: Permission to site street furniture on the highway

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 Sheena Brown has applied for a Street Furniture permit to allow the placement of 3 tables and 6 chairs outside The Toll Bridge Bar and Restaurant, 7 Fishermans Wharf, Sandwich. The application states that the furniture will be round rattan effect matching tables and chairs. The applicant has requested they be placed between 12 noon to 11pm every day.

2.2 A copy of the application form is shown at **Appendix A**. A map of the area can be found at **Appendix B**.

2.3 As part of the consultation process views have been sought from local businesses, Kent Highway Services, Police, Town Council, Fire Service, Planning, and other internal departments within Dover District Council as appropriate, and none have made representation, although Kent Police have requested that if granted, certain additional conditions be put onto the permit and these are shown at **Appendix C**. The application was also advertised at the site by way of a Notice and copies were delivered to nearby frontagers.

2.4 One representation was received in respect of this application (see **Appendix D**), as follows:

Alan Jamieson objects as he says that it is a narrow footpath that also provides vehicular access to 2 private properties. He is concerned that customers may sit on the wall whilst the tables and chairs are out on the footpath and this will be difficult to regulate, especially as this is a footpath that is used by dog walkers, which may cause issues if food is served outside. He is also concerned that this will set a precedent for other establishments.

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 – Map of the area

Appendix C – Additional conditions requested by Kent Police

Appendix D - Representation

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