

The Poplars
Port Eynon
Swansea
SA3 1NN

14.4.19

City and County of Swansea
Licensing Division
Environment Department
Civic Centre
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Dear Sirs

Re Application for a premises licence for the **Smugglers' Beach Bar and Kitchen, Port Eynon, Swansea SA3 1NN**

I have some concerns about the above licence application under the headings of the prevention of public nuisance, the prevention of crime and disorder, and public safety.

My first concern is the lateness of closing time. (Supply of alcohol until 00.00/1.00 and premises open until 00.30/1.30.) I do not see the need for such late hours in a place like Port Eynon. I am worried that drinkers from the Ship, at closing time there, will make their noisy way round to the Smugglers for another hour or so of drinking and then make an even noisier way back to wherever they are staying. People who have been drinking all evening do not seem to realise or care, how loud their voices are or how far the sound carries. It is not only local residents who will be affected but families with young children who are staying in the surrounding holiday lets and the camp site opposite.

Under the heading 'late night refreshment' (23.00-00.00/1.00) Donna Paterson has indicated that it will be both inside and outside but under the prevention of crime and disorder she makes a conflicting statement that 'No consumption of alcohol or other refreshments to be permitted after 23.00 in the external drinking area'. As she says, under the prevention of public nuisance, that 'all windows and external doors shall be kept closed after 21.30', I think it would prevent a lot of noise nuisance if there was no eating and drinking outside from the same time, i.e. 21.30.

In the Live Music section Donna Paterson states 'during our hot summer days and evenings we will have band performing indoors and outdoor, music will be amplified during these events'. Under the prevention of public nuisance she states 'Loudspeakers shall not be located ... outside the premises building'. I hope there will be no outdoor amplified music as hot weather is just when people like to relax in their gardens or have their windows open and do not want to hear loud music.

Looking at the plan of the site I cannot tell the extent of the external area for alcohol consumption. If it covers the whole of the present car park then I think it could easily become a public nuisance due to the sheer number of people who could congregate there, outnumbering those who could be accommodated indoors. If it covers only part of the car park and the rest is still in use as a car park, then unless it is suitably enclosed, there would be serious danger of an accident, especially to young children who may be running around while their parents chat to friends.

When I was talking to Donna about her plans, she said that what she really wanted to do was to run a family friendly restaurant and tea rooms and was not interested in running a pub. I think that, as a restaurant and tea rooms, it will be very popular with holiday visitors and I wish her every success with that part of her business. I hope she will be willing to agree to much earlier regular closing times and to apply for an extension for occasional private functions such as weddings.

Yours faithfully

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8.4.2019

Re: Application for a premises licence – Port Eynon, Smugglers Beach Bar and Kitchen

Dear Madam, Dear Sir

In relation to the request for an entertainment licence requested by D. Paterson for the soon to open Smugglers Beach Bar and Kitchen (ex- Smugglers Haunt). According to the notice affixed outside the premises, I understand that a request has been made to Swansea Council for the premises to be open and to serve alcohol from 10.00 am to midnight, with extensions until 01.00 am on Fridays and Saturdays. The licence application includes the facility to play recorded and live music, hold sporting events and serve late night refreshment.

I wish to object to this application: firstly, regarding the length of time the premises will be open and licensed to sell alcohol. I do not believe that alcohol on sale for 14 or 15 hours a day in a small, family-oriented resort would be a wise or judicious move. Also, these opening hours would not be fair as The Ship pub nearby does not enjoy the same hours. I am not suggesting that The Ship's hours be extended as it took some battling over the years to control the noise and customer behaviour from the pub.

The second point concerns the nuisance value of noise from the venue as well as the potential for nocturnal disturbance from future customers at The Smugglers, especially if the late night opening is granted. Not just loud music, but also customers' comings and goings will affect quite a lot of people as that part of the village is now densely built up, plus there would be disturbance to the population of the camp site at Carreglwyd. Regarding inflow into the village, has any planning been undertaken with provision for the car park to stay open to accommodate overflow from the restaurant car park? As this currently closes at 8.00 pm late visitors will then park anywhere they can (by the Green, in disabled places, on double yellow lines, etc).

I appreciate that people have to live, and there will be some employment created and I understand that people also are entitled to enjoy their holidays, but "live and let live" – this letter is to request that the licence be granted with reasonable opening hours, especially with regard to the sale of alcohol, and environmental considerations (traffic, noise, waste ...).

Sincerely