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Dear Mrs. Walton,

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It was with disbelief and alarm that I read the plan for a fixed trading outlet on Lower Strand. I have some concerns.

The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Area) Act 1990 states that .... "land in a conservation area.... attention should be paid to preserving or enhancing the character or appearance"..... The establishment of a fixed trading site for use by a mobile food and beverage business most certainly contravenes this statement.

I do not think that a residential area should have a food outlet thrust upon it; one stationed outside the Catholic church (which has a resident priest for half the year and locums for several months more) is particularly insensitive.

Noise and smell are major considerations, and litter and seagulls are potential problems. Even if traders do not use generators they surely have refrigeration and extraction units? These do not run silently! There will inevitably be cooking smells which, I know from past experience of having the fish and chip van outside my house for a short time some years ago, find their way into houses even through closed windows. Any wind between WNW and ESE will make this worse.

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The pavement behind the proposed site is fairly narrow, so not ideal for queues of people ordering and then waiting for their food. There will be little room for other pedestrians. There could be difficulties for traffic too, which already has to be single line in the narrow road outside the Customs House and Sailorman Club.

I do understand the need for another food outlet, and am not against it in principle, but do think that the impact of its siting should be given very careful consideration.

Yours faithfully,

