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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in regard to the application request for Lily's Takeaway to become a permanent fixture on Holgates Green.

As someone who works in the Isles of Scilly tourism industry, I find myself constantly being asked about evening dining options on the islands. There are always complaints that there aren't enough places to eat and that there isn't enough variety. Therefore, I was so excited to hear that there was going to be another option for holiday makers and locals alike.

The choice of location is also ideal. With picnic benches, bins and public conveniences already there, there is no chance - and no excuse - for leftover rubbish or damage to the beauty of St Mary's. With few buildings around and a large open space over looking the harbour (and the Scillonian for when guests are about to depart and leave their holiday memories behind them) it is the perfect vantage point to get a bite to eat from a takeaway van.

I was also delighted to hear about the owners, both of whom have contributed to the economy on St Mary's for several years. It is always wonderful to know you are supporting local people and it is a very enterprising venture that they have set out on: one that I can only admire.

Personally, I can't see any problem with a food van on Holgates Green. It will be a lovely addition to the St Mary's community and will only add to the Green. I see it causing very little damage and I know the owners will have considered all aspects of the business and how little they can impact the area. For instance, I'm sure it has been incredibly well built and sound proofed and I can imagine that on the rainy days, they will kit out the area with black matting so as to stop churning up the wet ground.

I wish the owners of Lily's takeaway the best of luck and look forward to hopefully eating your food for a long time to come!

Yours sincerely, Agnes Chapman Wills

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