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Dear Sir,

I wish to express my opposition to the application number P/22/056/COU for change of use of Holgates Green

I have no objection to the obviously well researched food truck Lillys and applaud their entrepreneurial ambitions, however the site proposed for this change of use is not favourable for the general community. The location plan shows the food truck using the only part of the green which provides shade for the frequent school parties that visit, it also provides shelter from the winds.

Holgates green was bought by the council for the community to use and so I am a little surprised that a single member of said community would have the right to apply for a change of use. The Strand and Holgates Green are already a feasting ground for our lovely seagulls who seem to enjoy snatching food from both young and old alike be it pasties or ice creams, this will not improve with another food outlet placed on this lovely green space.

Whilst as others have stated there are indeed bins available on the green they barely cope with the rubbish now and are frequently raided by our winged thieves. Often leaving rubbish strewn around to attract the more furry inhabitants of our town and other vermin.

When the Town Hall/Museum project gets underway the two already established mobile food outlets will also need somewhere to ply their trade, there is not room on the green for three vehicles. Do we really want to fill our beautiful Strand with food trucks? Is that really what our visitors wish to find? Surely a suitable alternative site could be found.

Why not dig out Porth Cressa Bank to enlarge the parking area there to accommodate the vans? The old school site or Carn Thomas which are under-used at the moment.

Driving any vehicles onto the green is a health and safety issue and while this is indeed done on the occasions where the green is used for community events it is not a daily occurrence. Putting traffic cones on the bus parking area is also an issue, is that actually allowed? Using the same entry point will degrade the pavement and also reduce the grass to mud in winter and bare earth in summer. Not ideal for one of our towns only two green spaces.

The fact that the Council have given the applicant permission to use the green without consultation seems really underhand and gives the impression that the outcome of this application has already been decided by the Council regardless of any objections from the local community.

Please protect Holgates Green.

Kind regards Leigh Kendrick