

Dear Lisa,

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Pentland House, The bank

St. Marys P-16-089

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We object most strongly to the use of outside lights at the Mermaid Inn that have obviously been used without any permission up until now. The grounds of objection are as follows:-

① Any outside light at the Mermaid will encourage people to use the outside as a smoking area and although no facility can be provided by the pub, the level of disruption outside has reached severe antisocial proportions to local residents and holiday makers.

② When the lights are turned off (sometimes at 1.00 am !!) the people congregating do eventually move to make their way home

③ Scilly is designated a 'dark sky area' one of only a few of the special sites that the milky way can be observed from and require a greater level of darkness - (see www.darkskyarea.discovery.org.uk) The lights along with the bright orange Mermaid sign is quite unnecessary (does anybody on the Island really not know where the Mermaid is? do they need to advertise with with a sign to encourage custom?)

④ There are already several issues with regard these premises. It would be far more important to put their house in order first and attend to issues that are severely affecting the locality.

Yours sincerely
Alan and Vanya Hulbert

