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Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Reference Planning Application P/22/056**

I write with reference to the above planning application for a Thai takeaway trailer to serve food on Holgate's Green.

I must state in the strongest possible terms that this would be nothing less than a desecration of an area which should be preserved for its openness and unparalleled views.

I have lived in Scilly, I have worked there, I continue to visit as I have done since 1967.

Any further allowances to go down the road of mainland seafront commercialisation on St Mary's would be nothing less than a travesty and an appalling folly.

Should this planning be passed, that opens up the opportunity for all kinds of other similar fast food outlets to be established on St Mary's beauty spots. In a few years, the St Mary's Town Beach and Porthcressa areas would resemble Weston Super Mare or Blackpool. The attraction of Scilly for all is that it is not like everywhere else and covered in tacky takeaway outlets, along with the odours and litter which inevitably follow.

Mr and Mrs Smalley describe in their application a starving host of visitors to the islands, and that this is damaging the reputation of Scilly as a tourist destination. I myself have never spoken to anyone on Scilly who has gone hungry and is in desperate need of a Thai takeaway to sustain them whilst visiting.

What will damage Scilly as a tourist destination is the establishment of any fast food outlet operations which will detract further from the natural beauty and simplicity that St Mary's and Scilly has to offer.

And what will follow?

An amusement arcade, a candy floss stall, a hall of mirrors, a burger outlet?

This proposal on Holgate's Green is as offensive as it is ridiculous, merely an attempt to make money, not provide a valuable and necessary service.

This is in no way a sensible or environmentally appropriate proposition, and I hope one which will be denied. Please take into consideration the ongoing and inevitable debasement which will follow should this application be permitted.

Yours sincerely,

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