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REPRESENTATION:

Dear Sirs,

As regular visitors to the islands my family and I were upset to see the changes that are being proposed to Holgates Green.

This has always been a peaceful picnic spot to rest on and take in the view of St Mary's harbour. This proposed change of use would seriously undermine its attractiveness and current use.

Placing a food trailer on the green has a number of negative impacts to those that use the Green.

1. It adds unnecessary noise pollution from the generator. No amount of insulation takes away from the constant drone and hum of such a unit in what is meant to be a calm and peaceful spot.

2. The constant movement of a heavy loading trailer and 4x4 vehicle on the grass will damage the grass, particularly in bad weather, leaving it uneven and muddy for other use. No matter the actual size of the vehicles, once on the green they dominate a much greater space than that which they immediately occupy.

3. A takeaway store on the green will attract a greater amount of vermin, including dangerous seagulls, to an area which should be safe for families to rest on

4. The food trailer dominates the green when placed on it, taking up over a third of the space of the green, as tables and benches are moved. Whilst the trailer and 4x4 maybe small they dominate the space, taking the space away from those that want to use it for other purposes.

The council should be doing more to encourage the use of existing commercial buildings for takeaways and other food outlets to use within the town centre, and should not seek to use this proposal as a way of displacing the problem.

If the council is seeking to solve any lack of food outlets by licensing food trailers, they should be placed on the hard standing within the town centre away from residential areas.

This is an ill considered application and should be rejected with longer term solutions focusing on utilising existing commercial premises and hard standing areas within the town.

Kind regards

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