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REPRESENTATION:

I wish to object to this application.

Holgates Green is a public space owned and maintained by the Island Council following the compulsory purchase and demolition of Holgates Hotel.

1) It is a public amenity that is used from time to time for short periods (4-5 days ie Gig Weekend) for which the council makes a charge. This application is for use of public green space for many days through the week for at least the holiday season. It is for business purposes to make a profit. Previous short period functions have been charitable or non profit events.

2) There is already a take away food outlet serving this area. An additional one is unnecessary.

3) The mobile trailer will have to be sited on grass and towed over a quite high kerb to the proposed site (unless the council agrees to lowering the kerb). In wet weather this will become muddy and the towing vehicle is likely to damage the grass. Then it may be necessary to put down some paving slabs so permanently altering the site.

4) Public seating will need to be moved.

5) Granting permission may go against the Natural England guidance for urban green spaces particularly in an AONB. It may also set a precedent that would make further applications for development on this open space difficult to refuse. For instance if the Town Hall development proceeds and displaces the food outlets there.

6) The siting of this business would be more appropriate at the back of Porthcressa Beach where other mobile food vans are sited. A burger van was sited where cars park by the beach access path.

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