Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING: Licensing (Taxis, Street Trading and Miscellaneous) Sub Committee

DATE: **5 August 2008**

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER

Application for a Street Trading Consent - Bath Bound Layby,TITLE:Herriott's Bridge, Bath Road, West Harptree
(Mr Antony John Bateman)

WARD: Mendip

AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM

List of attachments to this report:

Annex A Application

Annex B Site Plan

Annex C Council's Standard Conditions and Policy

Annex D Highways Notice

Annex E Objections

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 This report invites the Sub Committee to determine an application for a Street Trading Consent at Bath Bound Layby, Herriott's Bridge, Bath Road, West Harptree.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 That the Sub Committee determines the application.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 An application has been received for a street trading consent at Bath Bound Layby, Herriott's Bridge, Bath Road, West Harptree (Annex A). A site plan is attached at Annex B.
- 4.2 The type of goods to be sold is hot and cold food and drink.
- 4.3 The size of the pitch is 14' x 7'.
- 4.4 The type of stall is a mobile catering unit.
- 4.5 The times applied for are Monday to Friday 08:00 16:00 hours.

5 LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- 5.1 All streets in Bath and North East Somerset are designated as 'consent streets'. The effect of this is that, with certain exceptions, selling, exposing, or offering for sale any article in a street requires a street trading consent issued by the Council. Persons trading without a consent are liable to prosecution for an offence and if convicted can be fined up to level 3 on the standard scale, currently £1000.
- 5.2 Street Trading consents are issued under Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.
- 5.3 Paragraph 7 provides that:
 - (1) An application for a street trading consent or the renewal of such a consent shall be made in writing to the district council.
 - (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3) below, the council may grant a consent if they think fit.
 - (3) A street trading consent shall not be granted-
 - (a) to a person under the age of 17 years; or
 - (b) for any trading in a highway to which a control order under Section 7 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 is in force, other than trading to which the control order does not apply.
 - (4) When granting or renewing a street trading consent the council may attach such conditions to it as they consider reasonably necessary.
 - (5) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (4) above, the conditions that may be attached to a street trading consent by virtue of that sub-paragraph include conditions to prevent-
 - (a) obstruction of the street or danger to persons using it; or
 - (b) nuisance or annoyance (whether to persons using the street or otherwise).
 - (6) The council may at any time vary the conditions of a street trading consent.
 - (7) Subject to sub paragraph (8) below, the holder of a street trading consent shall not trade in a consent street from a van or other vehicle or from a stall, barrow or cart.
 - (8) The council may include in a street trading consent permission for its holder to trade in a consent street-
 - (a) from a stationary van, cart, barrow or other vehicle; or
 - (b) from a portable stall.
 - (9) If they include such a permission, they may make the consent subject to conditions-
 - (a) as to where the holder of the street trading consent may trade by

virtue of the permission; and

- (b) as to the times between which or periods for which he may so trade.
- (10) A street trading consent may be granted for any period not exceeding 12 months but may be revoked at any time.
- (11) The holder of a street trading consent may at any time surrender his consent to the council and it shall then cease to be valid.
- 5.4 When granting or renewing a street trading consent, the Council may attach such conditions to it as they consider reasonably necessary.
- 5.5 A copy of the Council's Street Trading Policy and Conditions is produced at Appendix C.

6 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 This report has not been sent to the Trades Union because they would have no involvement in this application.
- 6.2 In accordance with current Bath & North East Somerset Council policy, the Licensing Service consulted with the Police, the Council's Highways Maintenance Services, Property Services, Development Control Services, Ward Councillors and affected frontages.
- 6.3 A notice was placed on the highway on 28 May 2008 (Annex D).

7 OBJECTIONS

7.1 Objections have been received from East Harptree Parish Council and members of the public alleging that the granting of this application will have a detrimental effect on the area.

(Copies attached at Annex E).

Contact person	Alan Bartlett, Principal Licensing Officer, Telephone (01225) 477672
Background papers	None

ANNEX A

14/5/08. 39, Vernham Grove Odd Down ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES REF. New Pitch Site. 15 MAY 2008 Post Log No: CD/AB 190170 Dear Sur/Madam, Receipt No: CH/CA: £ I wish to apply for a trading license for a location which is not currently recognised as an official street trading pitch. My intention would be to trade from a mobile catering van on the A368 at thew valley hake on the Bath to Weston-Super-Mare road, one mile from West Harptree, with tay-bys on aithor sida I would be selling hot food and drinks ic. bugers, hot dogs, chips, tea, coffee etc., Mondays to Fridays for approximately 6-8 hours per day depending on trade. 1 would be using a transit van which is fully equipped for use as a catering unit. I would possibly like to start trading as soon as the application has been considered and approved. I have enclosed a photograph of the mobile catering van. yours faithfully, ASE ANTONY JOHN BATCHAN.

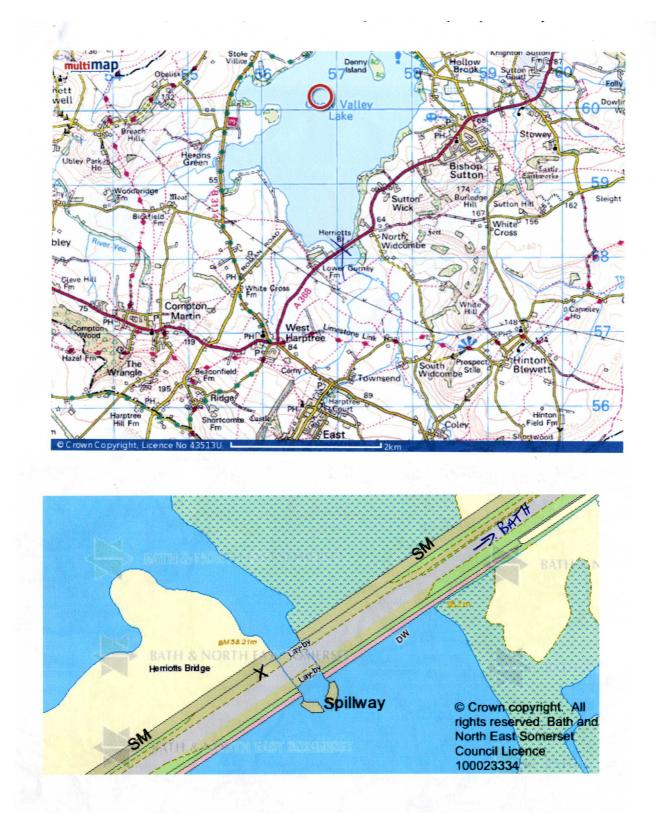
ANNEX A

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BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 APPLICATION FOR A STREET TRADING CONSENT

BATH BOUND LAYBY HERRIOTT'S BRIDGE BATH ROAD WEST HARPTREE BS40 6HN

I/We Mr Antony John Bateman

hereby apply for a Street Trading Consent in accordance with the particulars in the attached application form (please check the form overleaf and amend the details as necessary - ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL IN ORDER FOR US TO PROCEED WITH YOUR APPLICATION).

I/We enclose the application fee of £100.

(Cheques to be made payable to Bath & North East Somerset Council).

I/We declare that I am over 17 years of age and that the information given in this application is true.

Signed by the applicant(s)

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Dated 27.5.08.

Dated

Please return the completed application to:

Licensing Services Bath & North East Somerset Council 9 - 10 Bath Street Bath BA1 1SN

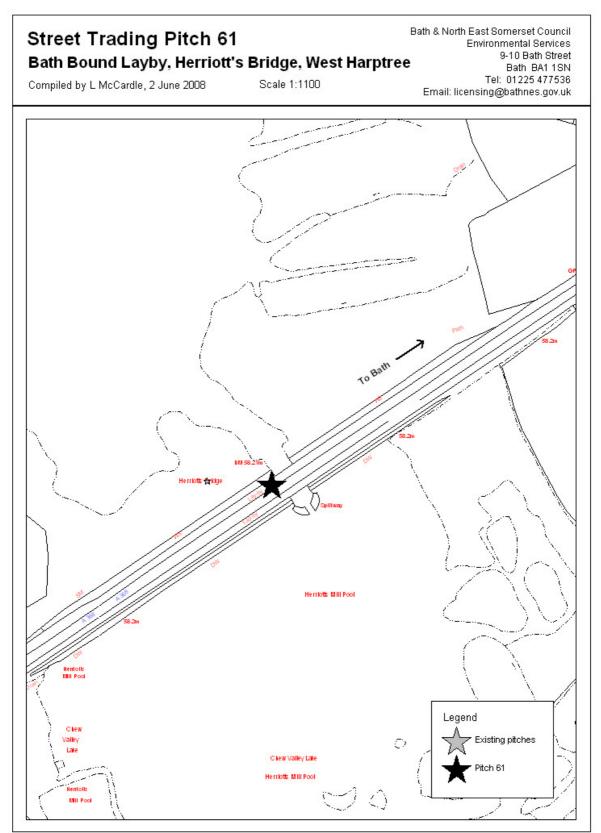
Preference will be given to applicants who wish to trade for at least SIX days per week. This authority is under a duty to protect the public funds it administers, and to this end may use the information you have provided on this form within this authority for the prevention and detection of fraud. It may also share this information with other bodies administering or in receipt of public funds solely for these purposes.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES

27 MAY 2008 Post Log No: CPIAB 190493 Receipt No: 2001143 CH/CA: 2.100.00

ANNEX A

BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 APPLICATION FOR A STREET TRADING CONSENT 1 Name, address and date of birth of Mr Antony John Bateman 39 Vernham Grove each applicant Odd Down Bath BA2 2TA Date of birth: 02-02-1963 01225 401204 07969 888489 Contact telephone number 2 3 Pitch number and address of street **Bath Bound Layby** Herriott's Bridge trading pitch **Bath Road** West Harptree BS40 6HN **Trading Name** 4 SRIDDLE KING 5 The days and hours you wish to Monday to Friday 8 Am To 4 PM. trade Hot and cold food and drink 6 Articles in which you wish to trade 7 Stall type Mobile catering unit 8 **Dimensions** 14' × 7' 9 Details of each person authorised by you to work on your stall. Include: names MYSELF ONLY, ASABOVE. addresses . dates of birth ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES Post Log No: C celegieooR 08/02087/STTRAD



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STREET TRADING POLICY

1 Purpose

1.1 The Council's street trading policy is to create a street trading environment which complements premises-based trading, is sensitive to the needs of residents, provides diversity and consumer choice, and seeks to enhance the character, ambience and safety of local environments.

2 What is Street Trading?

- 2.1 Street trading means selling, exposing or offering for sale any article in a street. The term 'street' includes any road, footway or other area to which the public have access without payment.
- 2.2 Bath & North East Somerset has adopted Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 for the whole of its area and has designated all streets in the area as 'consent streets' for street trading purposes.
- 2.3 The effect of this designation is that street trading in any street is prohibited, subject to legal exemptions, without first obtaining a street trading consent from the Council.

3 Exemptions from the need to obtain a Consent

- 3.1 Some types of trade are legally exempt from the need to obtain a street trading consent. These include:
 - a) a pedlar trading under the authority of a pedlars' certificate
 - b) trade carried out by roundsmen e.g. milkmen
 - c) trade carried on at a petrol filling station

4 Street Trading Consents for which fees are not payable

- 4.1 Bath & North East Somerset will not require the payment of fees for the following street trading activities:
 - a) fetes, carnivals or similar community based and run events
 - b) non-commercial or charitable events
 - c) farmers markets (producer-managed marketplace for local producers to sell their own produce direct to local people)
 - d) sales of articles by householders on land contiguous with their homes

5 Site Assessment

5.1 The Council will identify suitable 'pitches' for street trading and will also consider applications from individuals to create new pitches in specific locations if the applicant can demonstrate a clear demand for the goods or service he/ she would provide.

- 5.2 Consents may also be issued to mobile artists who sketch or paint, sell their own work and move from location to location.
- 5.3 In determining whether to create a street trading pitch the Council will have regard to:
 - a) any effect on road safety, either arising from the siting of the pitch or from customers visiting or leaving
 - b) any loss of amenity caused by noise, traffic or smell
 - c) existing Traffic Orders e.g. waiting restrictions
 - d) any potential obstruction of pedestrian or vehicular access
 - e) any obstruction to the safe passage of pedestrians
 - f) the safe access and egress of customers and staff from the pitch and immediate vicinity

6 Consultation

- 6.1 Before a new pitch is created the Council will consult and seek written observations from:
 - i) occupiers of premises immediately adjacent and opposite
 - ii) ward councillors
 - iii) parish or town council
 - iv) Avon & Somerset Constabulary
 - v) Development Control (B&NES)
 - vi) Highways (B&NES)

The Council will also consider any responses received in relation to public notices on the highway.

- 6.2 Any objection from consultees will be assessed against the criteria in 5.3 above and may be referred to the Regulatory (Licensing) Committee for determination.
- 6.3 Any proposed change to standard conditions (see 10.1 below) will be consulted with consent holders and others, if relevant.

7 Nature of Goods and Trading Hours

- 7.1 The nature of goods which may be sold from any pitch will be specified in the consultation process. Any subsequent substantial change will be subject to the level of consultation in 6.1 above.
- 7.2 The Council would not normally grant a consent for the sale of goods or services which conflict with those provided by nearby shops.
- 7.3 Goods will normally consist of craftwork, fresh flowers, ice cream or soft drinks. Other types including services will be considered on a pitch by pitch basis and have particular regard to local needs shopping, product/ service diversity and balance.
- 7.4 Street trading hours will normally mirror those of shops in the immediate vicinity. In

the case of hot food takeaways trading hours will be determined on a pitch-by-pitch basis.

7.5 The design and appearance of the stall, barrow, van or cart etc. used must be agreed by the Council's Head of Environmental and Consumer Services.

8 Issue of Street Trading Consents

- 8.1 Street trading consents will normally be issued for a period of three months. Consents for shorter periods may be issued for block bookings for the purpose of organised street markets and for mobile street artists.
- 8.2 Consents will be issued for a minimum of six days per week, unless the applicant can provide an alternative scheme acceptable to the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services.
- 8.3 Fees for consents must be paid in full in advance. In the case of renewals, payments must be made on a quarterly basis and be due on or before the following dates:
 - 1 January
 - 1 April
 - 1 July
 - 1 October
- 8.4 Failure to maintain payments as above may result in the consent not being renewed.
- 8.5 Where a consent has expired the pitch will become subject to paragraphs 8.6 and 8.7 below.
- 8.6 When an existing or new pitch becomes available, the Council will publish a notice inviting applications for the said pitch. The notice will be carried by one or more of the following: local newspaper, local radio, Council website; it may also be carried by other local publications.
- 8.7 Applications will be determined by the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services in consultation with the Executive Members for Economic Development & Environment and for Community Safety, Housing and Consumer Services. Each pitch will be offered to the applicant whose proposal is considered most suitable for the particular pitch. If no suitable application is received the pitch will be readvertised.

8.8 A consent will not be issued to a person who is not aged 17 years or over, or to anyone on account of misconduct or for any other appropriate reason is unsuitable to hold a consent.

9 Fee Structure

- 9.1 The fee structure will primarily reflect pitch location, trading days and hours. Other matters to be taken into consideration will include local needs shopping.
- 9.2 The Head of Environmental and Consumer Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Community Safety, Housing and Consumer Services has delegated authority to set fees and to annually review the fee structure.

10 Conditions and Enforcement

- 10.1 Standard conditions will be attached to every street trading consent detailing the holder's responsibilities to maintain public safety, avoid nuisance and generally preserve the amenity of the locality.
- 10.2 Specific conditions will also be attached such as the days and hours when street trading is permitted, the goods which may be sold and the size of the pitch.
- 10.3 Failure to comply with conditions may lead to revocation or non-renewal of a consent.
- 10.4 Persons trading without a consent and who are not exempt (see 3.1 above for examples) will be the subject of enforcement action in accordance with the Environmental and Consumer Services Enforcement Policy.

11 Social Inclusion

11.1 The Council will, where possible, give priority to the provision of consents to disabled persons and to those from minority ethnic groups.

12 General

- 12.1 Through its tourism service and by other means, the Council will seek opportunities to promote street trading activities.
- 12.2 This policy will complement and inform other Council initiatives including those on street markets and life in the public realm.
- 12.3 This policy will be the subject of periodic monitoring and review.
- 12.4 This policy will inform the detailed conditions attached to every street trading consent.
- 12.5 This policy will be applied in a manner which is consistent with the Council's equalities policies.

STREET TRADING CONSENT - GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1 The holder of this Consent (which expression where appropriate includes joint holders of this Consent) and any person employed by him to assist him in his trading, shall produce it on demand when so required by a Police Officer or a duly authorised officer of the Bath & North East Somerset Council.
- 2 The holder shall return this Consent to the Bath & North East Somerset Council immediately on revocation or surrender of the Consent.
- 3 The holder shall not trade otherwise than strictly in accordance with this Consent.
- 4 The holder shall notify the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services at Bath & North East Somerset Council, 9-10 Bath Street, Bath BA1 1SN immediately of any convictions or proceedings arising out of the use or enjoyment by the holder of this Consent.
- 5 The holder shall not cause any obstruction of the street or danger to persons using it and shall not permit persons to gather around him or any van, cart, barrow, other vehicle or stall included in this Consent so as to cause a nuisance or annoyance or danger to any persons lawfully using the street and shall not park any such van etc. on the footway or verge of the street.
- 6 The holder shall not use or suffer or permit any music playing, music re-producing or sound amplification apparatus or any musical instruments radio or television receiving sets whilst trading under this Consent, save as varied by a special condition of this Consent.
- 7 The holder shall not place on the street or affix to any equipment placed on the street any advertising material of any description whatsoever except with the previous consent in writing of the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services for the time being of the Council.
- 8 The holder shall not make any excavations or indentations of any description whatsoever in the surface of the street or place or fix any equipment of any description in the said surface.
- 9 The holder shall not use the street for any trading purpose other than the purpose as permitted by the Consent and then only during the permitted hours.
- 10 The holder shall not place on the street any furniture or equipment other than as permitted by the Consent and he must maintain the same in a clean and tidy condition and not place them so as to obstruct the entrance to or exit from any premises.
- 11 The holder shall not do or suffer anything to be done in or on the street which in the opinion of the Council may be or become a danger nuisance or annoyance to or cause damage or inconvenience to the Council or to the owners or occupiers of any adjacent or neighbouring premises or to members of the public.
- 12 The holder shall not assign, underlet or part with his interest or possession under this Consent or any part thereof, but he may surrender it at any time.

- 13 The holder shall observe and comply with any directions in relation to the use of the street given by the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services or the Director of Property and Engineering Services for the time being of the Council.
- 14 The holder shall keep his trading position and the immediately adjacent area in a clean and tidy condition during the permitted hours and also leave the same in a clean and tidy condition and unobstructed at the end of each daily period of use under the terms of this Consent.
- 15 The holder shall provide at his own cost and expense litter bins or similar receptacles for the deposit of cartons, wrappings, containers and similar discarded items if required by the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services, and remove them and their contents at the end of each daily period of use under this Consent.
- 16 The holder shall retain with any van, cart, barrow, other vehicle or stall included within this Consent any water used or waste produced until the end of each daily period of use under this Consent and then remove it and dispose of it elsewhere, and in particular shall not deposit any such waste near or into any street drain or channel.
- 17 The holder shall indemnify and save harmless the Council and their agents, servants and workmen from and against all proceedings damages claims or expenses in respect of an injury (including personal injury) which may be sustained by the Council or any person or persons body or company whatever arising out of, or in any way connected with, his trading and the provision of facilities under this Consent.
- 18 This Consent may be revoked by the Council at any time and the Council shall not, in any circumstances whatsoever, be liable to pay any compensation to the holder in respect of such revocation.
- 19 The Consent holder or any person employed by him to assist him in his trading shall at all times wear the identification badge issued by Bath & North East Somerset Council whilst trading from the pitch. The badge shall be worn in a conspicuous position on the upper body.
- 20 The holder shall return the identification badge(s) to the Bath & North East Somerset Council immediately on revocation or surrender of the Consent.
- All street trading fees are due quarterly in advance on 1 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October each year.

Notes:

- 1 Street trading in a consent street without a Street Trading Consent, or from a van, cart etc. not specifically permitted by a Consent, or contravening certain conditions attached to a Consent, amounts to an offence for which proceedings may be instituted.
- 2 A Street Trading Consent does not confer immunity from the provisions of any Street Parking Places Order or General Traffic Restriction Order. In case of doubt about the effect of any such Order, enquire at the Environmental and Consumer Services, 9-10 Bath Street, Bath BA1 1SN.
- 3 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 provides as follows:

Schedule 4, Paragraph 10

- 1 A person who:
 - b engages in street trading in a consent street without being authorised to do so under this Schedule; or
 - d being authorised by a street trading consent to trade in a consent street, trades in that street:
 - (i) from a stationary van, cart, barrow or other vehicle; or
 - (ii) from a portable stall,

without first having been granted permission to do so under paragraph 7 (8) (of this Schedule); or

e contravenes a condition imposed under paragraph 7 (9) (of this Schedule),

shall be guilty of an offence.

- 2 It shall be a defence for a person charged with an offence under sub-paragraph (1) above to prove that he took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid commission of the offence.
- 3 Any person who, in connection with an application for a street trading consent, makes a false statement which he knows to be false in any material respect, or which he does not believe to be true, shall be guilty of an offence.
- 4 A person guilty of an offence under this paragraph shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982

BATH BOUND LAYBY HERRIOTT'S BRIDGE BATH ROAD WEST HARPTREE BS40 6HN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application has been made to Bath & North East Somerset Council for the grant of a Street Trading Consent at the above location.

Name of each applicant	Mr Antony John Bateman
Trading times	Monday to Friday 08:00 - 16:00
Articles for sale	Hot and cold food and drink
Stall type	Mobile catering unit

If you wish to make any representations to the Council regarding the above application you should do so in writing to the undersigned within 28 days from the date of this notice.

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, such representations will normally be made available for public inspection.

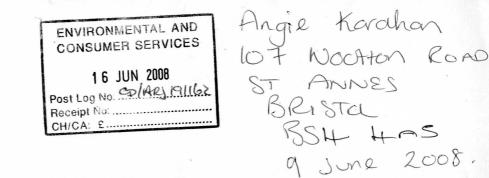
Dated 28 May 2008

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Andrew Jones, Environmental Monitoring and Licensing Manager, Licensing Services, Bath & North East Somerset Council, 9 - 10 Bath Street, Bath BA1 1SN

9. Rossiter GRAnge ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES Bishops worth 17 JUN 2008 BRISTOL Post Log No: CC/AB 1912.52 Receipt No: BS13. 8QT CH/CA: £..... 16-6.08 M. BRETLETT. Dear Sir would like to raise my 1 concern about the application that you have recienced for a calering unit on the Chew - Walley - Lakes or the Harriot Bridge side, This is a beatifull spot where I latte my grandchildren on a regular basis to feed the ducks and success. The smell and amount of rubbish that will be left from one of these units will spoil it as a nice spot to take the little ones. These is always the local shop in west Harphies in the village estate you can buy snacks hot or cold. If you won't more you have the form Shop restaurant. Befor you grow this brance I would like to have my Jour Faithfully Mrs & CHARD Say.

Mr. R. Hill ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES 6. Crinfield Alle 16 JUN 2008 Post Log No CD/AR) 191163 Hartchth Kristert. KSIJ For many years new my hubby as been the study of birds and Wildlife at the Valley lakes, therefore I am clisquistal that the larenced bould consider granting a permit Mr. Sonis to a mobile latering Wagon to park at this beatin, spoiling the environment, many of my primar like wise wryc you to reconsider issuing this license, surely people seeking refreshments lun use the on site Cafe & Weal Shop's. If I can be of any further assistance please do not histate to DD-D to limbuet me. Requirel's. Vayminel Hill



Dear Sir

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13th June 2008

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The Manager Licensing Services Bath & North East Somerset Council 10 Bath Street Bath BA1 1SN

Dear Sir

I wish to object to the application being made to place a 'Pie and Burger' van on the beauty spot know as Harriats Bridge, near the village of East Harptree.

This type of catering outlet would completely destroy the natural harmony and beauty of this place.

Myself and my family regularly visit this spot and should we wish to eat hot food there are several local Pubs that serve hot food and of course the restaurant at the picnic area at the other side of the lake.

Yours faithfully

Martyn Jones.

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ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES

17 JUN 2008 Post Log No: CC AB 191254 Receipt No: CH/CA: £

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Dear sirs, I'm writing in reference to the application for a catering vehicle, at thermits Bridge, Eest Harpmere. I would like to start by saying how surprised I was to see now small the notice is! Were we, the public, not meant to see this? This notice needs to be bigger so all Public can see it clearly.

I'd like to say myself and my hosband are regular visitors to this area and feel that having a catering van here would simply destroy the feeling and beauty of this area. Something like this just would not be appropriate in this environment. I strangly object to this application and cannot see how this can borget a wildlife and see how this can benefit a wildlife orea.

Can you please inform me when a decision will be made on this application and also if this has been advertised ongulare else for the public to see.

Many monts in advance for ansidering my thoughts, and I look forward to your reply.

Yours Sincerely

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16 JUN 2008

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13th June 08

Mr. A. Jones Environmental Monitoring & Licensing Manager Licensing Service Bath & North East Somerset Council 9-10 Bath Street Bath BA1 1SN

Reference: Trading at Herriots Bridge, East Harptree.

Dear Mr. Jones

I write in objection to having a catering vehicle parked at an area of natural beauty and fouling the air with a greasy smell, spoiling my family's favorite afternoon of the week.

We have been going to this location every week for a number of years now, and therefore I can see no need to have any such vehicle being parked up selling food.

I can only think that the council will benefit from an income for allowing this vehicle to park here, can you please reassure me that this isn't the case.

Can you please consider not granting this license, as I believe it will spoil the area for a number of regular visitors who attend the spot regularly?

I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely

7 John Morgan

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Dear Alan

The East Harptree Parish Council discussed at the Parish Council's meeting held last night the street trading consent application 08/02087/STTRAD.

The Parish Council has requested that I inform you that they find this application inappropriate for an area of natural beauty. The Council are concerned that there will be food deposited (even though unintentionally) as a result of the mobile catering unit being positioned in this area. There is a notice there asking the public not to feed the birds.

Kind regards

Pauline Young East Harptree Parish Clerk -----Original Message----- **From:** Colston Gay - J C Gay [mailto:jcgay@hotmail.com] **Sent:** 18 June 2008 09:23 **To:** Licensing; jcgay@hotmail.com **Subject:** Proposal of Catering Unit, Herriott's Bridge, North Widcombe

New Manor Farm Shop North Widcombe West Harptree Bristol Somerset BS40 6HW

Wednesday 18th June

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: The proposal of a catering unit, Herriott's bridge, North Widcombe

I am writing this is to express my objection of the proposed catering unit on Herriott's Bridge, North Widcombe which was recently brought to my attention by a customer at New Manor Farm Shop.

As proprietor of New Manor Farm Shop whose development and 'lift off' was strongly supported by BANES, I feel that this catering unit could be highly detrimental to both businesses potentially involved. The farm shop employs twenty local people and supports twenty plus neighbouring businesses in being an outlet for their local produce. In setting up this unit just a stone's throw away down the road could potentially be financially damaging to this so far successful business, which would subsequently lead to loss of local employment as margins are very tight.

With a unit setting up on Herriott's Bridge there would be other consequences. There would be no convenient provision of toilets, other than those on the site of New Manor Farm Shop. Litter is a constant problem at public sites, this catering unit would potentially increase the litter problem with its customers rubbish. This is even more of an issue considering that Herriott's Bridge is in the Mendip ANOB. Herriott's Bridge is a popular site for bird watching activities. One only has to visit this site during peak times during the summer to experience difficulties in pulling off such a fast road (A368). This catering unit has the potential to add to already heavy congestion at these peak times.

I would appreciate that my concerns are taken into account regarding this proposal. Please contact me directly if you require any further information,

Kind Regards

Colston Gay Proprietor of New Manor Farm Shop

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