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To: Public Protection < Public Protection@carmarthenshire.gov.uk >

Subject: Licensing review of the Santa Clara, Bridge Street, St Clears SA33 4EE.

To Whom it may concern,

In relation to the Licensing review of the Santa Clara Public House, Bridge Street, St Clears SA33 4EE.

We do not condone the recent behaviour of the DPS with regard to contravening the legal requirement to close during the COVID lockdown.

We would however hope you consider the implication to the wide community of Lower St. Clears of not renewing the current DPS. As residents of lower St. Clears for the last 9 years we have experienced a lengthy period of the closure of the pub and were thankful when the pub reopened. It would seem unlikely that someone else would take it on at this time if closure was forced.

It is not just a business, the venue offers a meeting place and a function venue not just for family gatherings but for fundraising events for the local community, It is somewhere people go to find company which is especially important given recent circumstances, there are single and vulnerable members of the community to which the local pub is lifeline. It is also the only venue in Lower St Clears that accommodates this.

The Landlord has been instrumental in supporting and often instigating community fundraisers, the welcome offered by him to all is what makes it so integral to the close knit community of Low St. Clears.

We hope that you will consider our views in this matter Kind regards

Yours Faithfully

Mr and Mrs James Holborn House Bridge St St Clears Carmarthenshire SA33 4EN