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Sent: 05 July 2020 21:14

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

Subject: Santa Clara Public house license review

To Whom it may concern,

I have become aware that you intend to review the license for the Santa Clara Public House, St Clears with the intention of removing the Designated Premises Supervisor.

Me and my family live opposite the public house and occasionally use the premises.

I wish to make it known that we have been living opposite the address for a number of years and have never had any problems with the landlord or any patrons that frequent the pub. I have never witnessed any anti social behaviour either inside or outside the property and can state that the pub is very well run and the landlord keeps a tight ship. The premises is used as a meeting place for age groups ranging from 18 years of age to persons in their eighties. The landlord assists in organising and running many events for local charities and is also a very keen donor himself for funds or prizes. This is the only available meeting point in the whole of lower St Clears so would be a real loss to residents in this part of St Clears as this is a great meeting place for our more vulnerable members of society as well as the single persons who have suffered mental health issues during the current situation and would like to get some part of normal life back. Keeping the pub open would assist hugely as part of that return to that normality. Prior to the current DPS being at the location the pub was empty for a number of years as you will be aware. I fear that if he is removed then the pub will yet again become empty resulting in that meeting place for those that really

need somewhere being lost. I would think that it would remain closed for a lengthy period of time if it were to open again at all. I am aware that the landlord made a mistake during the early days of lockdown and although i don't condone this i really do think that removing him as the DPS would have a very negative effect on the community and its only meeting place at this time. I ask for some common sense and leniency in the decision as it would be a great shame for this public house to not reopen and be another pub that will never reopen in the future as this will be the likely outcome if he is removed.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs DM Williams and family

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