

Bath & North East Somerset Council

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

DATE: **7 May 2013**

AGENDA
ITEM
NUMBER

TITLE: **Application for permission to provide facilities on the highway for recreation/refreshment at Porter Public House, 2 Miles's Buildings, Bath, BA1 2QS**

WARD: **Abbey**

AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM

List of attachments to this report:

Annex A Application
Annex B Site Plan
Annex C Council's Standard Conditions
Annex D Highways Notice
Annex E Objections

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 An application has been received for permission to provide facilities on the highway in respect of Porter Public House, 2 Miles's Buildings, Bath, BA1 2QS.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That the Licensing (Taxis, Street Trading and Miscellaneous) Sub Committee determines the application.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The costs of processing licences are covered by the fees charged. The fee for this application is £246.

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 An application has been received for permission to provide facilities on the highway in respect of Porter Public House 2 Miles's Buildings Bath BA1 2QS (Annex A).
- 4.2 The application is for permission to place 21 tables on the highway outside the premises, along with appropriate seating (site plan attached at Annex B).
- 4.3 The size of area applied for:
- 13 x 3.7 metres (side of premises); and
0.5 x 15 metres (front of premises).
- 4.4 The times applied for are every day from 10:00 to 23:00 hours.

- 4.5 Sections 115 A-K were inserted into the Highways Act 1980 by the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 and relate to the provision of Amenities on certain highways.
- 4.6 Upon application the Council may grant permission to provide, maintain and operate facilities for recreation and/or refreshment on a highway.
- 4.7 A grant of permission under Section 115E of the Highways Act 1980 is not to be unreasonably withheld (Section 115J), but permissions may be given subject to any reasonable conditions that the Council thinks fit (Section 115F).
- 4.8 The Council's standard conditions for permission to place tables and chairs on the highway are attached at Annex C.
- 4.9 This report has not been sent to the Trades Union because they would have no involvement in this application.
- 4.10 A notice was placed on the highway on 6 March 2013 (Annex D). The application was also placed on the Council's website.
- 4.11 Objections have been received from local residents. The grounds for objection allege that public nuisance including litter, noise issues and obstruction of the public highway would occur.

(Copies attached at Annex E).

5 RISK MANAGEMENT

- 5.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken in accordance with the Council's decision making risk assessment guidance.

6 EQUALITIES

- 6.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been completed. No adverse or other significant issues were found.

7 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 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 and Development Control Services, Ward Councillors and affected frontagers.

8 ISSUES TO CONSIDER IN REACHING THE DECISION

- 8.1 Human Rights.

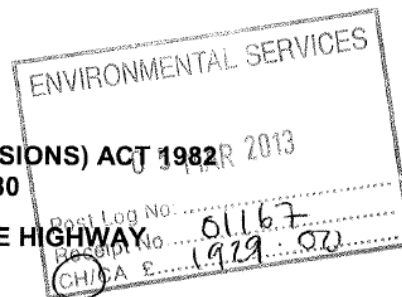
9 ADVICE SOUGHT

- 9.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer (Divisional Director – Legal and Democratic Services) and Section 151 Officer (Divisional Director – Finance) have had the opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.

Contact person	Alan Bartlett, Principal Licensing Officer Telephone 01225 477536
Background papers	None
Please contact the report author if you need to access this report in an alternative format.	

APPLICATION

13/00189.
Bath & North East
Somerset Council



LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982
 PART VIIA HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

PERMISSION TO PLACE AMENITIES ON THE HIGHWAY

I/We Giles Thomas

hereby give notice that I/we intend to apply for a permit in accordance with the particulars in the attached Schedule.

NEW applicants only to complete the following section

- I/We enclose an illustration/photo of the type, colour and dimensions of the furniture
- I/We enclose a site plan indicating the dimensions of the area of highway upon which we wish to place the above furniture (all plans should be drawn to scale)

Applicants REAPPLYING only to complete the following section

I/We certify that there have been no alterations to the size of the area

- I/We certify that there have been no alterations to the number or style of the furniture
- I/We enclose the maps/diagrams and/or photographs illustrating change to area/furniture

ALL applicants to complete the following section

I/We enclose the fee as follows:

Application fee		£246.00
▪ Number of tables	<u>21</u> @ £66 per table	<u>1386</u>
▪ Number of other items (e.g. planters, boundary markers)	<u>9</u> @ £33 per item	<u>297</u>
OR IF NO TABLES USED		
▪ Number of chairs, parasols, etc.)	<u>—</u> @ £33 per item	<u> </u>

Total enclosed

£1929

I/We declare that the information given in this application is true.

Signed by the applicant(s)

Dated

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04/03/13

Please return the completed application to:

Licensing Services, Lewis House, Manvers Street, Bath BA1 1JG

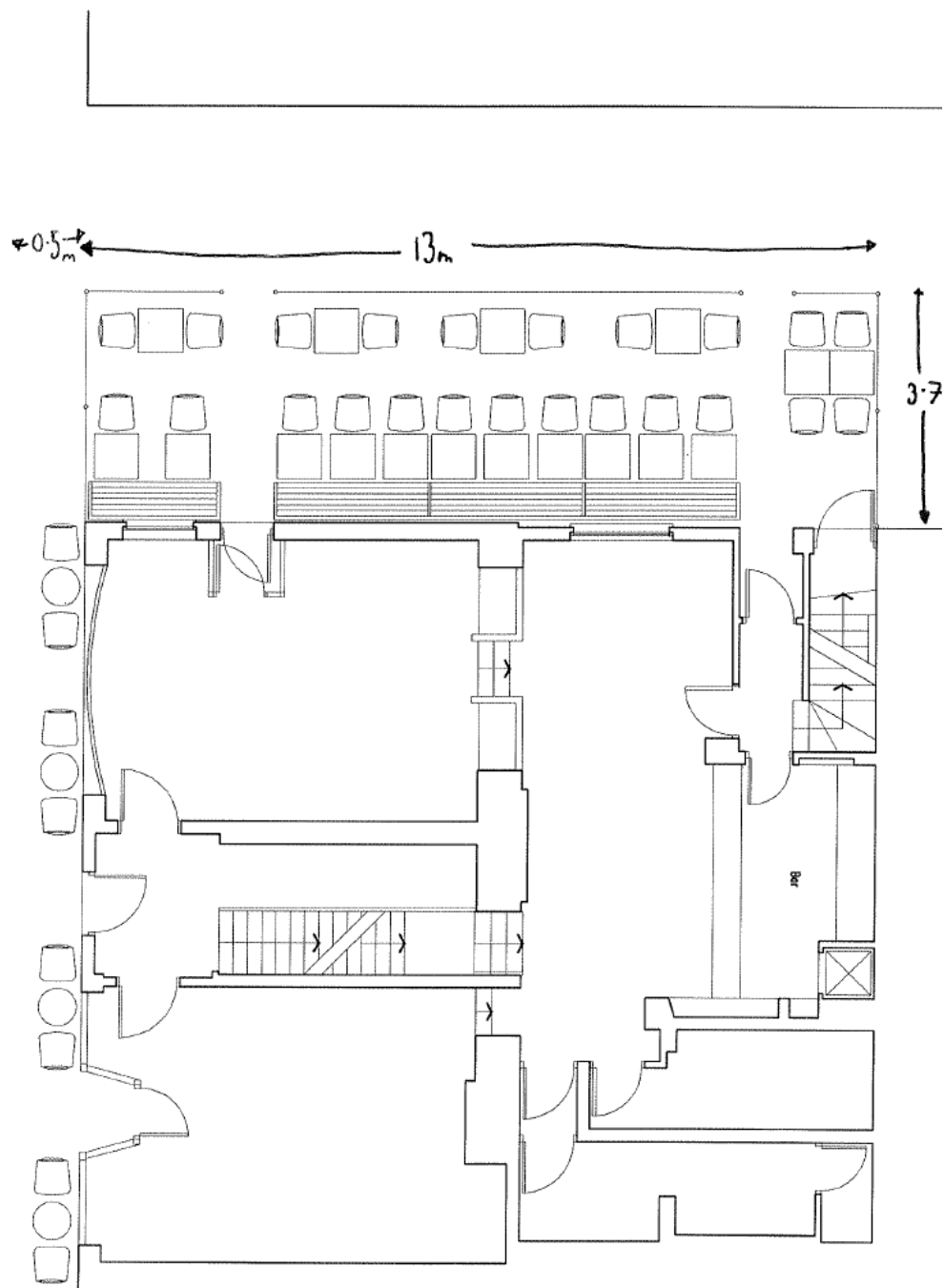
APPLICATION

**Bath & North East
Somerset Council**

**Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982
Part VIIA Highways Act 1980
Permission to Place Amenities on the Highway**

1	Full name and address of each applicant	Giles Thomas Charlcombe grove Farm Charlcombe Bath BA1 9BQ
2	Contact: telephone number email	giles@nucleus-group.co.uk 07810514342
3	The date or dates, or the period of time for which the permit is required (maximum one year)	From: 31/03/13 To: 31 March/14
4	Number of tables	21
5	Size/Dimensions of area	See plan - as previous license
6	The Council must notify any "affected frontages" of this application. Please provide details of the adjoining premises.	✓ 16 George St, 14 George Street - miles ✓ 12 Miles's Buildings ✓ 3 Miles's Buildings
7	Days of the week and hours of operation on those days	10am - 11pm Mon - Sun
8	Specific part of the premises proposed to be used	Pavement adjacent to premises
9	Alcohol permitted	Yes
10	If yes, please state your premises licence number	12/04149/LAPRE

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Proposed Furniture @ The Porter

Luxembourg Armchair by Fermob



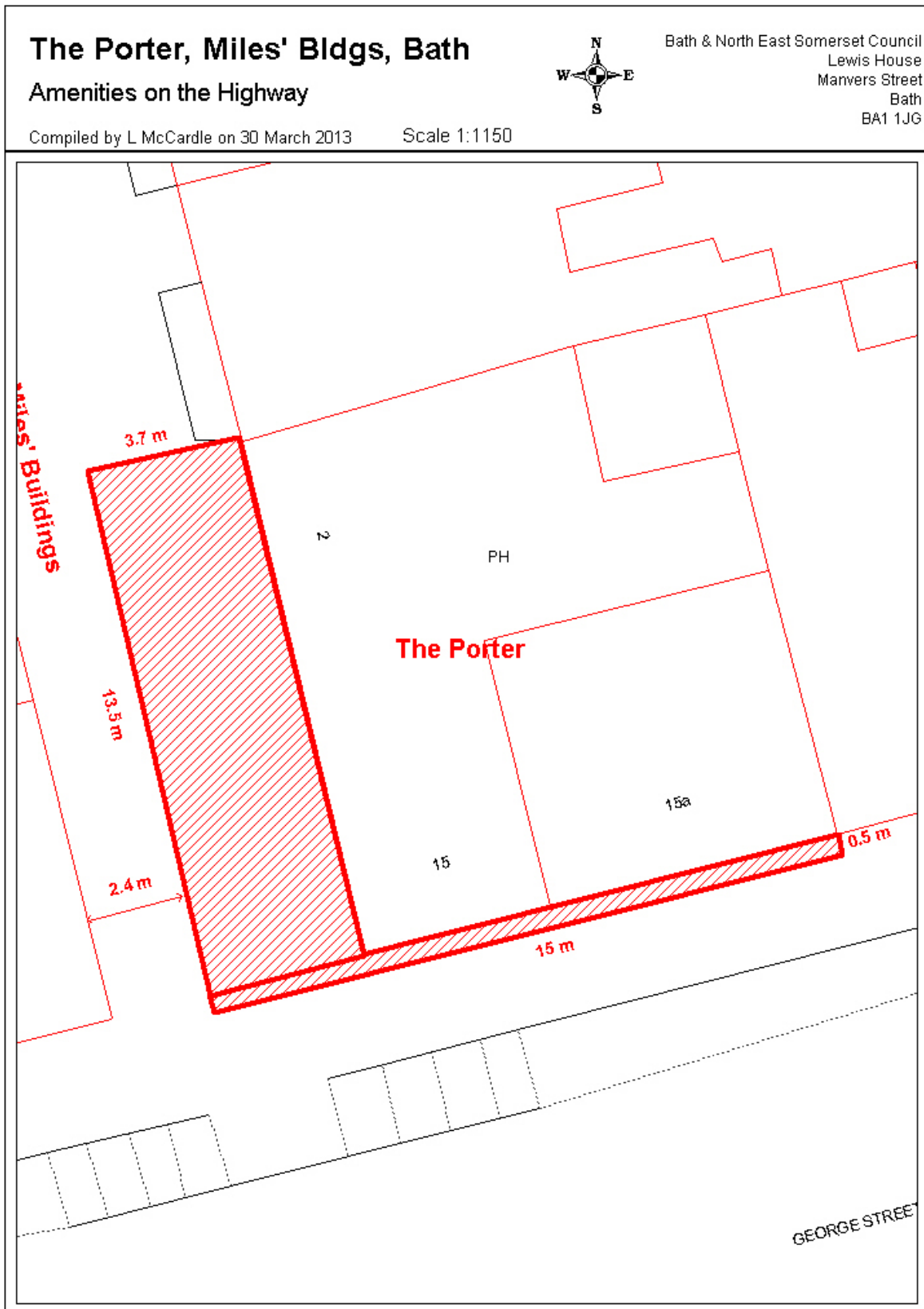
Scarborough Bench – bespoke by WoodcraftUK



Cararra Marble Top Table



SITE PLAN



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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982
PART VIIA HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
PERMISSION TO PLACE TABLES AND CHAIRS ON THE HIGHWAY**

CONDITIONS

- 1 The holder(s) of this Permission shall not exercise privileges granted by this Permission otherwise than strictly in accordance with this Permission.
- 2 The holder(s) shall produce this Permission on demand when so required by a Police Officer or a duly authorised Officer of the Bath & North East Somerset Council.
- 3 The holder(s) shall return this Permission to the Office of the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services immediately on revocation of this Permission.
- 4 The holder(s) shall not cause any unnecessary obstruction of the highways or danger to persons using it and shall not permit persons to gather so as to cause a nuisance or annoyance or danger to any persons lawfully using the highway.
- 5 The holder(s) shall not use or suffer or permit any music playing music reproduction or sound amplification apparatus or any musical instruments, radio or television receiving sets whilst exercising privileges granted by this Permission.
- 6 The holder(s) shall not make any excavations or indentations of any description whatsoever in the surface of the highway or place or fix any equipment of any description in the said surface.
- 7 The holder(s) shall not use the highway for any other purpose whatsoever, nor at any time other than during the permitted hours, other than lawfully passing or re-passing thereover as (a) member(s) or the public.
- 8 The holder(s) shall not place on the highway any furniture or equipment or advertisement other than as permitted by the Council and 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.
- 9 Notwithstanding the specific requirement in Condition 5 above the holder(s) shall not do or suffer anything to be done in or on the highway which in the opinion of the Bath & North East Somerset Council may be or become a danger, nuisance or annoyance to or cause damage or inconvenience to the said Council or to the owners or occupiers of any adjacent or neighbouring premises or to members of the public.
- 10 The holder(s) shall not assign, underlet or part with any interest or possession given by this Permission or any part thereof but the holder(s) may surrender it at any time.
- 11 The holder(s) shall observe and comply with any directions in relation to the use of the highway given by the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services, or the Head of Engineering Services for the time being of the Bath & North East Somerset Council.
- 12 The holder(s) shall maintain the area shown on the plan attached to this Permission and edged in red, and the immediately adjacent area, in a clean and tidy condition during the permitted hours and shall leave the same in a clean and tidy condition and unobstructed, which shall

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include washing down the area, at the end of each daily period of use and on revocation or surrender of this Permission.

- 13 The holder(s) shall provide litter bins or similar receptacles for the deposit of cartons, wrappers, containers and similar discarded items if required by the Head of Engineering Services and ensure that the same are emptied daily.
- 14 The holder(s) shall remove all furniture or equipment, litter bins or other articles placed on the highway in accordance with this Permission at the expiry, surrender or revocation of the Permission.
- 15 The holder(s) shall indemnify and save harmless the Bath & North East Somerset Council their agents, servants and workmen from and against all proceedings, claims, damages, costs or expenses in respect of any injury (including personal injury) in damage or loss 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 the provision or use of facilities under this Permission, accept where such injury, damage or loss is attributable to the negligence of the Council.
- 16 This Permission may be revoked by the Bath & North East Somerset Council at any time and the Bath & North East Somerset Council shall not in any circumstances whatsoever be liable to pay any compensation to the holder(s) in respect of such revocation.
- 17 Nothing herein contained shall be construed as the granting or purported granting by the council of any tenancy under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 or any permission under the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force.
- 18 The holder shall, whilst members of the public are using the facilities provided for the consumption of intoxicating liquor, provide and maintain in a prominent position, to the satisfaction of the Council's Head of Environmental and Consumer Services, notices in the form approved by him concerning the provisions of the Byelaw made by the Bath City Council on 30th January 1991 relating to the consumption of intoxicating liquor in public places.

Notes:

- 1 Section 115K of the Highways Act 1980 provides as follows:-
 - (1) If it appears to a council that a person to whom they have granted a permission under section 115E of this Act has committed any breach of the terms of that permission, they may serve a notice on him requiring him to take such steps to remedy the breach as are specified in the notice within such time as is so specified.
 - (2) If a person on whom a notice is served under sub-section (1) of this Act fails to comply with the notice, the council may take the steps themselves.
 - (3) Where a council have incurred expenses in the exercise of the power conferred on them by sub-section (2) of this Act, those expenses, together with interest at such reasonable rate as the council may determine from the date of service of a notice of demand for the expenses, may be recovered by the council from the person on whom the notice under sub-section (1) of this Act was served.
- 2 Failure to comply with any Condition of the Permission will require the Council to consider whether any subsequent Permissions should be granted to the holder(s) of this Permission.

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**BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET COUNCIL
ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACES (BATH) ORDER 2004**

This Order is made under the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and relates to the consumption of alcohol in a Public Place. For the purposes of the Order, your premises and the area covered by your permit are not a Public Place.

Where a constable reasonably believes that a person is, or has been, consuming alcohol in a designated public place or intends to consume alcohol in such a place. The constable may require the person concerned either not to consume in that place anything which is, or which the constable reasonably believes to be, alcohol; or to surrender anything in his possession which is, or which the constable reasonably believes to be, alcohol or a container for alcohol. A constable may dispose of anything surrendered to him in such manner as he considers appropriate.

A person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with a requirement imposed on him under in such circumstances commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale (currently £500).

HIGHWAYS NOTICE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982

PART VIIA HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

PORTER PUBLIC HOUSE 2 MILES'S BUILDINGS BATH BA1 2QS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application has been made to Bath & North East Somerset Council by the proprietor of the abovementioned premises for permission to provide facilities for recreation or refreshment consisting of a number of tables and chairs in or on that part of the highway specified above until:

31 March 2014

and at the following times:

Every Day 10:00 - 23:00 hours

Further information about the above application, including the area of footpath or footway, may be obtained by calling at the address below.

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 6 March 2013



Andrew Jones
Environmental Monitoring and Licensing Manager

Licensing Services
Bath and North East Somerset Council
Lewis House
Manvers Street
Bath BA1 1JG

OBJECTIONS

From: Henry Brown [mailto:henrybrown@bethere.co.uk]
Sent: 11 March 2013 15:47
To: Licensing
Cc: Rothwell & Phil Cooke Sally
Subject: tables and chairs outside the porter, 13-00189-table

Dear B&NES,

I am writing to object to the proposed tables and chairs outside the Porter in Miles's Buildings, Bath. I live just around the corner and have frequently been disturbed by noise and antisocial behaviour caused by clients of the Porter. I am also a member of the Circus Area Residents Association, to whom I am copying this.

I have four concerns:

- A. There is an excessive number of tables and chairs requested. In recent years, neighbours have reluctantly accepted a modest number of tables outside the Porter, and we think that half a dozen would be quite enough intrusion on the public highway. This is a street, not the Porter's private domain.
- B. The permitted area in Miles's buildings should not extend more than half way across the street. There is a very well defined stone channel along the paving which marks the centre point, and at one stage the Porter's permitted area extended only that far. At present it extends further, which means that if the outside area becomes busy it can be difficult and unpleasant for residents, particularly the elderly or those with small children to get past the crowd. If the Council is minded to grant the present application, it should extend only to this centre line.
- C. There is just not enough space for tables and chairs on the George Street frontage. The pavement here is quite narrow, is thronged with visitors, and also has to accommodate patrons queuing for Moles. This area should be kept clear.
- D. I have in the past enquired whether the Porter had planning permission to use the highway for tables and chairs, and was told that they didn't. I don't think you should be granting a tables and chairs permit until a planning application has been made and approved.

Please acknowledge receipt, and notify me if there is to be a public hearing.

Thank you.

Henry Brown, 11 March

7 St Andrews Terrace
Bath BA1 2QR

henrybrown@bethere.co.uk
07990 585493

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From: Robin Davies [<mailto:robinofbath@gmail.com>]
Sent: 08 March 2013 11:34
To: Licensing
Cc: Planning Enforcement; Manda Rigby (Cllr); Brian Webber (Cllr); liquorlicensing@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk
Subject: Tables and Chairs at the Porter.

I object to this application on a number of grounds.

1. The Porter appears to be in contravention of their 2009 planning as this apparently refused them planning permission to put tables and chairs outside their premises. However the premises has been placing tables and chairs outside for some time. It would be totally inappropriate to grant these Premises an extended license for more tables and chairs when they probably shouldn't have any outside. Licensing and Planning should consider how to communicate better in future to ensure that this type of issue does not occur. There would appear to be little or no communication or liaison between these two departments at present!!

2. It is physically impossible to put 21 tables in the space that the Porter currently uses for the 8 tables for which they have licensing approval. If each table has only 2 chairs that is potentially an 26 additional people outside which during the night when these people have consumed substantial alcohol would increase the noise above the already intolerable levels coming from this establishment.

3. The space available for pedestrians and people with disabilities is very narrow even now when the Porter has its current 8 tables and chairs outside as many of their patrons also stand and congregate outside the current licensed area normally smoking. If even more tables are crammed into this small area the smokers would extend even further into the thoroughfare. In the evening it is sometimes almost impossible for people to walk up/down Miles Buildings and along George Street at the corner with Miles Buildings. With 21 tables and at least 42 chairs this area would become chaotically congested.

4. The amount of litter and cigarette butts left each evening is currently unacceptable. Neighbourhood services have to clear this mess up most mornings of the week. At the very least there should be several minimum requirements under any new license.

1. For the whole area to be cleaned up at closing time each night,
2. For any designated area to be curtained off with accoustic curtains from 9pm till the pub closes to stop the sometimes appalling noise coming from the Porter's Patrons disturbing residents in east Gay Street, Miles Buildings and parts of the Circus.
3. That the licensee places a number of portable cigarette butt bins in the area after any tables and chairs are removed until closing time to ensure that the minimum number of cigarette butts are thrown on the ground as at present from the often large crowds of rowdy drinkers who stand outside most nights of the wee
4. The number of tables to be limited to 8 with 16 chairs.

In summary. The current placing of 8 tables and associated chairs appears to be in contravention of planning requirements. The current area is unsuitable for any further increase in the number of tables and chairs if planning approval is granted. The access along Miles Buildings is already seriously compromised during the busy evening times with patrons sitting and standing outside. To further increase the numbers of patrons sitting and standing outside would be unreasonable.

Robin Davies 18 Gay Street, Bath, BA1 2PD

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kimberly De Morgan [mailto:kdemorgan@mac.com]

Sent: 11 March 2013 11:32

To: Licensing

Cc: Planning Enforcement; Manda Rigby (Cllr); Brian Webber (Cllr);

liquorlicensing@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk; Nigel Shire

Subject: Re: Tables and Chairs at the Porter.

To the Licensing Board of Bath:

I object to more tables outside The Porter Pub for several reasons:

- 1.) The noise and disruption will be increased during the day and evening hours that the pub maintains, to the direct detriment of my sleep and the sleep of my 12 year old daughter. Currently the screams of intoxicated Porter patrons reaches us quite often.
- 2.) The litter from cigarette butts would be increased, and this is such a nuisance for a World Heritage site and tourist site like Bath.
- 3.) The congestion on the walkway on Miles Buildings and indeed, on George Street, where I have often had to fight my way through teenaged smokers (lined up 3 or 4 people deep, with the occasional drunk person sitting against the building), would only increase.

I am currently keeping a noise log to document the many sleepless evenings I have had since I have moved into 29 The Circus. I have even complained personally to Jaimie, the Assistant Manager at the Porter, when I discovered the extractor fan by the side door is the main reason why my house turns into a nightclub every time they have an event in their basement. This pub is already such a nuisance and detriment to any one living in George Street, Gay Street or in the 20's in the Circus. Please, do not give them any more tables or outside space to wreak more cacophony on the local residents.

Kim De Morgan 29 The Circus BA1 2EU

From: sylvia wright [mailto:sylviawright3188@yahoo.co.uk]

Sent: 12 March 2013 10:39

To: Licensing

Subject: Tables and chairs outside the Porter public house

As residents of Miles' Buildings we wish to add our support to Robin Davies' objections to the tables and chairs outside the Porter, which so often blocks the route to our home.

yours sincerely

Sylvia and Gerry Wright

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From: ian.dougall1@tiscali.co.uk [mailto:ian.dougall1@tiscali.co.uk]

Sent: 18 March 2013 12:57

To: Alan Bartlett

Cc: sfrothwell2@tiscali.co.uk

Subject: The Porter Pub: Application Reference 13/00189/TABLE

We wish to object to this application for the following reasons:

Firstly we feel that the proposed width of the area is too great. At present it is often difficult to walk up and down Miles's Buildings (this is compounded by the advertising sign outside the Juice Employment Agency, and by the step on the side entrance to Moles).

In the year before April 2012, the width of the area was 3.15 metres (approx.) from the Pub wall to the centre of the small slabs running down the middle of the walkway. This was preferable to the present arrangement.

Secondly there is no mention of what measures would be applied to ensure that the drinking in the external area does not cause nuisance (noise, mess, vomiting etc) to the residents in Miles's Buildings. In our experience, when The Porter is closed it is very quiet in Miles's Buildings.

Ian and Anne Dougall

From: Ron Temperton [mailto:rj-temperton@talktalk.net]

Sent: 19 March 2013 19:53

To: Licensing

Subject: Reference 13/00189/table

I would like to object to this application.

The existing tables at these premises already annexe a considerable proportion of the public footpath and an increase to 21 tables plus other items would require an excessive amount of pavement space being used and the associated obstruction, particularly for the disabled and those with pushchairs.

The granted hours should extend to no later than 2200 on any night of the week, and the current requirement to have waiter/ waitress service at outside tables be retained (a current requirement not complied with or enforced.)

The proposed style of furniture appears to be large, heavy and requiring significant storage space, leading to a reluctance of staff to clear the area at the end of any approved hours.

Yours

R Temperton

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From: Lawrence Jones [<mailto:lawrencedjones@msn.com>]
Sent: 08 March 2013 19:40
To: robin personal davies; Licensing
Cc: Planning Enforcement; Manda Rigby (Cllr); Brian Webber (Cllr); liquorlicensing@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk
Subject: RE: Tables and Chairs at the Porter.

Dear Licensing and Liquor Licensing Authorities Banes

May I please add my full support to all that Robin Davies has said in his separate EMail I find it totally unbelievable that consideration should be given to the number of tables and chairs highlighted in that EMail with all the consequences that would have for congestion, noise, nuisance and general cleanliness of the area. The extra numbers of clients this would include should remain within the Porter Public House. As we approach summer and lighter evenings these proposals would have such a damaging effect on the immediate area.

I trust the views of the citizens living in this area will be fully considered.

Lawrence Jones
20 Gay Street

Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2013 11:34:23 +0000
Subject: Tables and Chairs at the Porter.
From: robinofbath@gmail.com
To: licensing@bathnes.gov.uk
CC: planning_enforcement@bathnes.gov.uk; manda_rigby@bathnes.gov.uk; Brian_Webber@bathnes.gov.uk; liquorlicensing@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk

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Robin Davies
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From: gillian ryan [mailto:gilliankr@waitrose.com]
Sent: 12 March 2013 18:59
To: Alan Bartlett
Subject: Tables and Chairs at the Porter.

Dear Alan -

I know that Anne Dougall has emailed you about this subject – and probably you also have the below. We in Miles's Buildings are all concerned about any increase in the Porter encroaching on the slim passage outside. All the drinking and smoking outside currently make it difficult to pass with a wheelchair (my husband's) or pushchairs, or on foot! And this increase, at least, should not be allowed.

I apologise if you already have all the facts, but add my concern.

Gillian Ryan
7 Miles's Buildings

From: Robin Davies <robinofbath@gmail.com>
Date: 8 March 2013 11:34:23 GMT
To: licensing@bathnes.gov.uk
Cc: planning_enforcement@bathnes.gov.uk, manda_rigby@bathnes.gov.uk,
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