

**Implementation Date: 01 September 2023**

**Template for Requesting Speaking Rights at the Planning Committee**

The Protocol for the Operation of the Planning Committee provides for interested person(s) to register to speak on a planning application that is scheduled to be determined at the next meeting of the Planning Committee. This request must be received by the Planning Department no later than 10am on the Monday before the Planning Committee meeting via email account [planning@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk](mailto:planning@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk).

<b>Planning Reference</b>	LA01/2020/0957/F
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<b>Support or Objection – please tick relevant box</b>	Support <input type="checkbox"/> Objection <input type="checkbox"/>

**Written representation summarising key points to be addressed and supplementary information in support of your case (minimum font size 10 and maximum length two sides of A4 page).**

My family and I are shocked and dismayed at the speed with which this application has been returned to planning committee.

The impetus for doing so may well be prompted by the imminent arrival of some 16 neighbours in apartments adjacent to the applicants property which may well give rise to potential for further objections.

I object strongly to the insinuation that my previous statement was highly misleading, thereby questioning both my own and my daughters integrity and honesty.

This I believe to be an attempt to deflect from the reality of the real issues at hand.

As the minutes of previous meeting will attest I did not state that the applicants host dinner evenings every weekend.

My statements were based on factual evidence gathered over a 3 year period when regular events and meals are open to the public particularly at weekends.

These events give rise to high level of noise disturbance to the point that my daughter is unable to hear her television in her own property. The fact that the applicants do not consider such events as wedding parties as disruptive shows a total disregard to their neighbours. This is unacceptable incompatible with the good neighbour principle. Despite asserting that they intend to comply with all planning conditions they go on to say that will complete an application for an entertainment licence in future. This does not indicate a willingness to adhere solely to day time operational hours. I dispute that there 50 guests at the wedding party on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. Furthermore a large catering lorry was plugged into electricity supply parked on double yellow lines at the entrance to their property for over 2 hours. This severely restricted the view of traffic coming into the promenade and to my property. The statement that the wedding party was a “one off” is not accurate. There have been wedding parties, themed events over the 3 year period on top deck directly adjacent to my front door. It continues to be used for yoga classes.

This is a total infringement of our privacy and raises concerns over security and safety.

There has been a flagrant disregard for due process and integrity in the way this business has evolved.

A system whereby an applicant can simply set up and operate a business for 3 years unauthorised seems deeply flawed. It sets a poor example to others who may wish to do likewise. The bizarre claim that this now makes "a staple" within the community should be discredited as a subjective unquantified view only. Such flaunting of authority is the complete apotheosis of what the planning system has been set up for and serves only to provide a template for further commercial development.

This application has been presented as simply a continuation of the business activity along Sea Rd. It is not. There is a clear distinction between Sea Rd and the Promenade, the later being solely residential. It is a clear deviation from the 5 year Policy Plans for zoning of commercial areas within the village.

The authorisation and approval of this application will change the overall landscape of Castlerock and in particular the Promenade enjoyed by many as a safe sanctuary from commercial activity.

I would urge the committee not to allow this to happen and again seek clarification of monitoring process in place to prevent any further development of this business in the rear garden of a residential property. It should not be left to myself or my daughter to intervene when further disturbances occur.