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22 November 2010

<u>SUMMONS</u>

MEETING:Licensing BoardDATE:30 November 2010TIME:6.00pmPLACE:Council Chamber, Town Hall, GosportDemocratic Services contact: Lisa Young

LINDA EDWARDS BOROUGH SOLICITOR

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Councillor Beavis (Chairman) Councillor Murphy (Vice Chairman)

Councillor Bradley Councillor Carter C K Councillor Carter C R Councillor Chegwyn Councillor Mrs Cully Councillor Foster-Reed Councillor Jacobs Councillor Scard

The Mayor (Councillor Allen) (ex officio) Chairman of P & O Board (Councillor Hook) (ex officio)

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AGENDA

RECOMMENDED MINUTE FORMAT

PART A ITEMS

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members present are required to declare, at this point in the meeting or as soon as possible thereafter, any personal or personal and prejudicial interest in any item(s) being considered at this meeting.

- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD HELD ON 14TH SEPTEMBER 2010 AND 4TH OCTOBER [copies herewith].
- 4. DEPUTATIONS STANDING ORDER 3.5

(NOTE: The Board is required to receive a deputation(s) on a matter which is before the meeting of the Board provided that notice of the intended deputation and its object shall have been received by the Borough Solicitor by 12 noon on Friday, 26 November 2010. The total time for deputations in favour and against a proposal shall not exceed 10 minutes).

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS – STANDING ORDER 3.6

(NOTE: The Board is required to allow a total of 15 minutes for questions from Members of the public on matters within the terms of reference of the Board provided that notice of such Question(s) shall have been submitted to the Borough Solicitor by 12 noon on Friday, 26 November 2010).

6. APPLICATION FOR A STREET TRADING CONSENT FOR GOSPORT HIGH STREET PART II Contact Officer: Russell Bray Ext 5553

To determine an application for a Street Trading Consent to allow for the provision of ice creams and frozen confectionary from an ice cream van in Gosport High Street on non market days.

7. ANY OTHER ITEMS Which by reason of special circumstances the Chairman determines should be considered as a matter of urgency 8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC To consider the following motion:

> That in relation to the following items the public be excluded from the meeting, as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during these items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out.

PART B ITEMS FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Item No.	Item	Paragraph no. of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act	
9.	APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE OF A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVERS LICENCE	Paragraph 1 The report identifies sensitive personal information	PART II Contact Officer Russell Bray Ext 5553
10.	APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS LICENCE	Paragraph 1 The report identifies sensitive personal information	PART II Contact Officer Russell Bray Ext 5553

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Board/Committee:	Licensing Board
Date of Meeting:	Tuesday 30 th November 2010
Title:	Application for a Street Trading Consent for Gosport High Street.
Author:	Environmental Health Services Manager
Status:	FOR DECISION

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request the Licensing Board to determine an application for a Street Trading Consent to allow for the provision of ice creams and frozen confectionary from an ice cream van in Gosport High Street on non market days.

Recommendation

That the Licensing Board determine whether the application for a Street Trading consent should be granted

1 Background

- 1.1 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 makes provision for Local Authorities, having adopted the Act, to designate consent streets for the purposes of street trading.
- 1.2 Following the necessary statutory notice procedure the Council resolved, on 2nd September 1998, that under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, all streets in the Borough of Gosport (including all forecourts, roads, footways or other areas adjacent to such streets for a distance of 100 metres) would be designated as Consent Streets for the purpose of street trading as from 5th October 1998. The effect of the designation was that street trading would be prohibited without the consent of the Council.
- 1.3 In January 2000, following a report to the Health and Leisure Committee, this Council adopted a policy on street trading to be applied throughout the Borough. The policy permitted the granting of Street Trading Consents, provided they were in compliance with that policy. This report and the adopted policy are attached as Appendix A. Paragraph 2.8 below makes reference to the conditions that may be considered to apply to this application.
- 1.4 In recent years Mr Christopher Goulding has been operating his Ice Cream Van in the High Street at the proposed location at the eastern end of the High Street on the Gosport Saturday Market. He operates mainly during the summer months by paying a Saturday Market pitch fee.
- 1.5 On 7th July 2009 the Licensing Board considered Mr Christopher Goulding's application for the grant of a street trading consent. The Licensing Board refused the application for ice cream sales from a trailer which was a departure from the previous novelty of ice cream sales from a tricycle. The Minutes of the Licensing Board are attached as Appendix B.

1.6 On the 5th January 2010 the Licensing Board considered Mr Christopher Goulding's application to allow for the provision of ice cream and frozen confectionary to be sold from either a traditional ice cream tricycle or a Bedford Van in Gosport High Street. The Licensing Board considered the matter and gave its consent to operate a traditional ice cream sales tricycle in the High Street on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of any week between the hours of 11:00 and 18:00 and on Saturdays from 09:00 to 17:30 hours. The Minutes of the Licensing Board is attached as Appendix C.

2 Report

- 2.1 An application for a six month Street Trading Consent for Gosport High Street has been received from Mr Christopher Goulding trading as "Georgia's Ices". The application for approval to operate a traditional Bedford Ice-Cream Van registration number NAM 698G in Gosport High Street for the provision of ice cream and frozen confectionary. The application requests permission to trade seven days a week from 11:00 hours to 18:00 hours each day.
- 2.2 A plan showing the proposed trading location of Mr Goulding's Ice Cream sales operation is attached as Appendix D. A photograph of Mr Goulding's Ice Cream van is attached as Appendix E.
- 2.3 Hampshire Constabulary, the Highways Authority and other Council services have been consulted on this application. Hampshire Constabulary has submitted a letter which raises no objection to the grant of the consent however do request that any granted Street Trading Consent is conditioned to require Mr. Goulding to remove the trading vehicle from the pitch in the High Street at the end of trading each day. See Appendix F
- 2.4 The Head of Development Control replied to the consultation by advising that the site in question is a Public Highway and as such is normally outside planning controls. It should be noted that this is a Conservation Area and the proposed siting is in a prominent location. Therefore it is requested that consideration is given to avoid proliferation of such structures and would suggest advice be sought in respect of this particular issue from the Conservation and Design Team. See Appendix G
- 2.5 The Council's Conservation and Design Officer has visited the proposed site and has offered an opinion that siting an ice-cream van in the proposed location would visually clutter the entrance to the High Street. The fountain serves as an identifiable entrance to the High Street and Conservation area and the immediate area should remain clear allowing views into the High Street. See Appendix H
- 2.6 The Council's Access Officer has been consulted on this application and he in turn consulted the Access Group. A member of the Group expressed concern over the close proximity of the site to the pelican crossing sited at the junction of the High Street with South Street and would like the Pedestrian Precinct to be vehicle-free.
- 2.7 Hampshire Highways have been consulted and concerns have been expressed. Those concerns are -

- The location plan shows the van placed between, or in the vicinity of the 'entrance gate' pillars. Legitimate vehicular access (including emergency access) to the pedestrian zone can be gained from Mumby Road and South Street and needs to be maintained. Will the van cause unnecessary obstruction?
- Will time restrictions apply to the consent? Obviously highway (and other) maintenance requirements will need access to the area from time to time. There is a need to ensure that the van cannot be just permanently parked in the High Street.
- No waste to be disposed of into highway drains.
- From purely an aesthetic point of view the fountain within the High Street may be partially obscured by the van, depending upon its size. This is not a concern from a highway viewpoint but an observation.
- 2.8 The Council has adopted a Street Trading Policy Appendix A. Repeated below are conditions within that policy that have a direct relevance to this application -

Condition 1. That, where appropriate, street traders be encouraged to obtain and occupy retail premises in the Borough or to trade within the street market held in Gosport High Street.

Condition 4. That no new street trading consents (except by way of renewal of existing consents) will be given to individual traders in respect of Gosport High Street on market days.

Condition 6. Street trading consents will only be issued where it can be shown that the trader will be providing a service that is of benefit to the public and is compatible with the character of the area.

Condition 7. Street trading consents will not be issued where there is concern regarding direct competition with existing nearby retail premises.

Condition 9. Street Trading consents will not be issued where there are concerns regarding problems of highway safety, obstruction of users of the highways or conflict with the requirements of emergency vehicles.

- 2.9 By the application of Condition 4 the days Mr. Goudling can be consented to trade are restricted to Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday and not as requested in his application.
- 2.10 At present there are thirteen premises in Gosport High Street (including Bemisters Lane) where ice creams etc. may be purchased. Ten of these are for sales for immediate consumption and two where ice creams may be purchased for home consumption. These are:
 - Morrisons (home consumption)
 - Iceland (home consumption)
 - Burger King (immediate consumption)
 - Newsround (immediate consumption)
 - Lu Chinos (immediate consumption)
 - McDonalds (immediate consumption)
 - Poppins Restaurant (immediate consumption)

- Sweet Delights Bemisters Lane (immediate consumption)
- Harbour News (immediate consumption)
- Harveys (immediate consumption)
- Sweet Talk (immediate consumption)
- The Star (Wetherspoons) (immediate consumption)
- Nelson & Emmas (immediate consumption)
- 2.11 Mr Goulding has paid the required fee of £530 for the application for a six month Street Trading Consent to commence 1st April 2011 and has provided proof of public liability insurance. Should the Licensing Board refuse Mr Goulding's request, there would be a requirement to refund the fee paid.

3 Risk Assessment

3.1 No additional risks have been identified with this application

4 Conclusion

- 4.1 Following the designation of the whole of Gosport as a "street trading consent zone" from 5th October 1998, it is requirement for any person wishing to trade on or adjacent to the highway to obtain a street trading consent.
- 4.4 The Street Trading Policy states that no new street trading consents (except by way of renewal of existing consents) will be granted to individual traders in respect if Gosport High Street on market days
- 4.3 Mr Goulding has applied for a street trading consent to operate on all seven days of the week from 11:00 to 18:00 hours. The applied for days include the two Gosport Market days.

Financial Services comments: Legal Services comments:	None The Board in determining the application must have regard to the Council's Street Trading Policy and give reasons for reaching its decision. A person aggrieved by the refusal of an application for the grant of a Street Trading Consent does not have a statutory right of appeal but may bring a judicial review if the decision is unlawful or irrational.
Service Improvement Plan implications:	None
Corporate Plan:	<u>Prosperity</u> : Attracting investment to Gosport's economy and maximising local employment opportunities
Risk Assessment: Background papers:	No additional risks have been identified Minutes of Licensing Board Meeting 7 th July 2009 (Item 21) See Appendix B.
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Appendices/Enclosures: Appendix 'A'	Health and Leisure Committee Report and

	Policy Document.
Appendix 'B'	Minutes of Licensing Board 7 th July 2009
Appendix 'C'	Minutes of Licensing Board 5 th January 2010
Appendix 'D'	Plan of proposed Site Location in High Street.
Appendix 'E'	Photograph of Mr Goulding's Ice Cream van
Appendix 'F'	Hampshire Constabulary Letter dated 12 th
	October 2010
Appendix 'G'	Head of Development Control Memorandum
	dated 26 th October 2010.
Appendix 'J'	Council's Conservation and Design Officer
	Letter dated 15 th October 2010
Report author/ Lead Officer:	Russell Bray, Senior Licensing Officer, ext.
	5553

APPENDIX A - HEALTH AND LEISURE COMMITTEE REPORT AND POLICY DOCUMENT.

APPENDIX A

AGENDA NO.

GOSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

TO THE MEETING OF:	THE HEALTH & LEISURE COMMITT	TEE
ON:	MONDAY, 10 th JANUARY, 2000 DJB/BMT	REF:
REPORT OF:	LEISURE & HEALTH SERVICES MANAGER	
TITLE:	STREET TRADING POLICY	

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 For the Committee to consider a draft Street Trading Policy.

2. INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Committee will recall considering a report at their meeting on 1st November 1999 on proposals for a street trading policy.
- 2.2 A draft street trading policy has therefore been produced and is attached as Appendix 1, together with a set of draft standard conditions, which are attached as Appendix 2.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Council may charge such fees as they consider reasonable for the grant or renewal of street trading consents. Different fees may be charged according to the duration of the consent, to the street in which trading takes place and the nature of articles sold.
- 3.2 Currently different fees are charged in respect of the existing street trading consents for Gosport High Street. It is suggested that the basis for charging these fees continue.
- 3.3 As regards any new consents, it is suggested that an annual fee of £700 be charged for food traders and £500 for non food traders, reduced by £200 in each case where trading is for a seasonal period of less than 6 months or where trading is for less than 5 days per week.

APPENDIX A (Cont) - HEALTH AND LEISURE COMMITTEE REPORT AND POLICY DOCUMENT.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.1 That the draft Street Trading Policy and Standard Conditions for Street Trading Consents be approved.
- 4.2 That (with the exception of existing consents) the annual fee for street trading consents be £700 for food traders and £500 for non food traders, reduced by £200 in each case where trading is for a seasonal period of less than 6 months or where trading is for less than 5 days per week.

Background Papers:

Report to Health & Leisure Committee, 1st November 1999 "Proposed Street Trading Policy".

APPENDIX A (Cont) - HEALTH AND LEISURE COMMITTEE REPORT AND POLICY DOCUMENT.

STREET TRADING POLICY

- 1. That where appropriate, street traders be encouraged to obtain and occupy retail premises in the Borough, or to trade within the street market held in Gosport High Street
- 2. That additional street trading consent will not be required where the Council has already given its consent by way of a licence, lease or agreement as regards any trading concessions.
- 3. That where consent has been given to hold a street market, additional street trading consents will not required for individual traders.
- 4. That no new street trading consents (except by way of renewal of existing consents) will be given to individual traders in respect of Gosport High Street on Market days.
- 5. Street trading consents will not be required for fairs, fetes and similar events.
- 6. Street trading consents will only be issued where it can be shown that trader will be providing a service that is of benefit to the public and is compatible with the character of the area.
- 7. Street trading consents will not be issued where there is concern in regarding direct competition with existing nearby retail premises.
- 8. The number of street trading consents issued for any one street will be limited in order to avoid any undue concentration.
- 9. Street trading consents will not be issued where there are concerns regarding problems of highway safety, obstruction to users of the highway or conflict with the requirements of emergency vehicles.
- 10. Street trading consents will not be issued where there are concerns regarding problems of noise, smell or late night disturbance, especially in residential streets.
- 11. The issuing of a street trading consent is subject to the prior inspection and approval of any stall, vehicle and associated equipment.
- 12. Street trading consents will not be issued for the sale of cars.
- 13. Street trading is prohibited in Ann's Hill Road between Leesland Road and Carnarvon Road. Street trading will be prohibited along the length of the A32 from Hoeford to Fort Brockhurst.

APPENDIX B - MINUTES OF BOARD 7 JULY 2009

Licensing Board 7 July 2009

A MEETING OF THE LICENSING BOARD

WAS HELD ON 7 JULY 2009

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Searle) (ex-officio), Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (ex-officio) (P), Councillors Allen (P), Ms Ballard, Bradley, Carter (P), Mrs Cully (P), Foster-Reed (P), Langdon, Mrs Mudie, Murphy (P) and Ward.

It was reported that, in accordance with Standing Orders, notice had been received that Councillors Edwards and Hook would replace Councillors Ward and Langdon respectively for this meeting.

16. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of The Mayor, Councillors Ms Ballard, Bradley, Langdon, Mrs Mudie and Ward.

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Hook declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 6 as he owned a retail outlet on the High Street. However, he confirmed his shop did not sell ice cream or ice lollies.

Councillor Edwards declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 11 as the applicant was known to him.

18. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Board held on 8 June 2009 be approved and signed by the Chairman as true and correct records.

19. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

20. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

21. APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT

Note: Councillor Hook declared a personal interest in this item, remained in the meeting room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Consideration was given to a report of the Environmental Services Manager which requested the Board to determine an application for a Street Trading Consent to allow for the provision of ice cream and ice lolly sales in Gosport High Street.

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been a significant increase in the costs incurred in operating a Hackney Carriage vehicle.

Members were advised the Board that the six month period had now elapsed and the Financial Services Manager had investigated whether there had been a significant increase in the costs incurred in operating a Hackney Carriage Vehicle. The Financial Services Manager advised that there had been a 0.39% increase in costs from February 2008 to October 2009. There had been no request from Hackney Carriage owners in the Borough to increase the tariff.

53. APPLICATION FOR STREET TRADING CONSENT

Note: Councillor Hook declared a personal interest in this item, remained in the meeting room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Consideration was given to a report of the Environmental Services Manager which requested the Board to determine an application for a Street Trading Consent to allow for the provision of ice cream and ice lolly sales in Gosport High Street.

The application was for a Street Trading Consent for the provision of ice creams and other frozen confectionary in Gosport High Street on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in any week between the hours of 11:00 and 17:00 from either a traditional 1968 Bedford Ice Cream van service, or in the alternative, a traditional ice cream tricycle.

In answer to a Member's question, the Board were advised that the proposed trading hours to be considered were those detailed on the application for Street Trading Consent 11am until 5pm, not 11am-6pm as detailed in Mr Goulding's letter.

Clarification was sought concerning the required fee paid by Mr Goulding; the Board were advised that the amount charged would cover the period 1st April - 31st September at the current rate. The Board were advised that mobile Ice Cream vendors were defined as food traders and were subject to food hygiene inspections by Environmental Health Officers.

It was confirmed that Mr Goulding traded as a stall holder at the Saturday market from an Ice Cream van and had never caused an obstruction to emergency vehicles.

Mr Goulding advised the Board that his Ice Cream van was pitched adjacent to the fountain at the east end of the high street and that the High Street was accessible to both emergency vehicles and traders with 7.5 Tonne vehicles when it was in place.

He advised the Board that he had acknowledged the concerns of Members in relation to his previous application and had addressed these by proposing two different vending options within the application.

Mr Goulding advised the Board that he hoped to continue to trade from the eastern end of the High Street adjacent to the fountain as it produced a large uptake in passing trade from ferry passengers. He also advised that he maintained a good working relationship with other traders.

APPENDIX C (Cont) – MINUTES OF BOARD 5 JANUARY 2010

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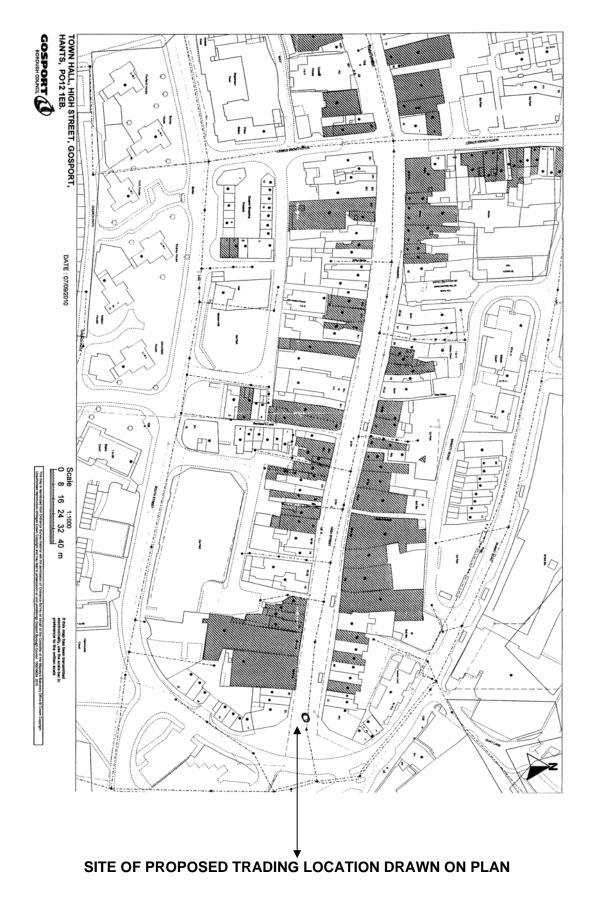
In answer to a Member's question, Mr Goulding advised that, in order to take advantage of summer evenings, he would prefer a Street Trading Consent to allow him to trade from 11am until 6pm.

RESOLVED: That the following be approved:

a Street Trading Consent be granted to allow for the provision of ice cream and frozen confectionary sales from a traditional ice cream tricycle in Gosport High Street on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of any week between the hours of 11:00 and 18:00.

The meeting ended at 6.28pm

CHAIRMAN



APPENDIX E – PHOTOGRAPH OF CLASSIC ICE CREAM VAN



APPENDIX F – HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY LETTER



Mr R Bray Senior Licensing Officer Town Hall High Street Gosport

Our ref: JC/1964/GG/2010 Your ref: 10/00853/STF6LI Hampshire Constabulary Chief Constable Alex Marshall

> Gosport Police Station South Street Gosport Hampshire PO12 1ES

Telephone: 0845 045 45 45 Direct dial: 02392893226 Fax No: 023 9289 1750 Deaf/speech impaired minicom: 01962 875000 Email: john.connelly@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

October 12, 2010

Dear Russell, Thank you for your letter dated 11 October 2010 giving notification of the application for the grant of a Street trading consent for Mr Goulding.

The Police have no objections to the application.

However, could I ask that consideration be given in respect of day to day removal of any trading vehicle/trailer etc by Mr Goulding or its authorised user.

The Policing of Gosport Town Centre's night time economy relies heavily on utilisation of the Public CCTV system within that area in order to maintain Public order and to prevent and detect offences.

If vehicles or trailers are left on the High Street area overnight they can obstruct the view of CCTV controllers and persons engaged in criminal offences can use those objects to conceal themselves from Police Officers and CCTV.

This area of the Town Centre referred to on your letter is the main focus of attention late at night as this is the area frequented by people who have left the Pubs and Clubs and use the late night refreshment houses.

It should be made very clear to Mr Goulding that although the Police do not object to his application he must not leave his vehicles or trailers unattended overnight for this reason.

Yours Sincerely

John Connelly PC 1964 Licensing Officer Gosport

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MEMORANDUM

FROM: Head of Development Control MY REF: MB

YOUR REF: 10/00853/STF6LI

TO: Russell Bray Senior Licensing Officer

DATE: 26 October 2010

APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A STREET TRADING CONSENT TO OPERATE AN ICE-CREAM VAN IN THE PRECINCT IN GOSPORT HIGH STREET LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982

I write in response to your consultation dated 6 October 2010 relating to the above site.

The site in question is Public Highway and as such is normally outside of planning controls. It should be noted that this is a Conservation Area and the proposed siting is in a prominent location. Therefore I would request that consideration is given to avoid a proliferation of such structures and would suggest that you seek further advice in respect of this particular issue from our Conservation and Design Team, if it is of relevance. I have no additional comments on the proposal

Debbie Gore HEAD OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

APPENDIX H – CONSERVATION & DESIGN OFFICER'S LETTER



Town Hall, High Street, Gosport, Hampshire, PO12 1EB.

Russell Bray Senior Licensing Officer EH Commercial, Environmental Services Town Hall High Street Gosport PO12 1EB Please ask for: Alexandra Rowse Direct dial: (023) 9254 5414 Fax: (023) 9254 5588 E-mail: alexandra.rowse@gosport.gov.uk My Ref: Your Ref:

15 November 2010

Dear Russell

Re: Goulding - Location of Classic Ice Cream Van on High Street

Thank you for consulting Conservation & Design with respect to this application. After visiting the site, it is our opinion that the proposed location would visually clutter the entrance to the High Street. The historic fountain serves as an identifiable entrance to the High Street and Conservation Area and the immediate area should remain clear, allowing views into the High Street.

Yours sincerely

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Alexandra Rowse Conservation & Design Officer



