

## Proposal for to license the temporary use of part of the fisherman’s Quay for café van.

The proprietors of Quay 22 have purchased a catering freestanding horse box which we would like to locate opposite the cafe beyond the wall on riverside to sell teas coffees, cakes, cream teas, ice creams, cold drinks but not alcohol. They would like to place a few tables and chairs around the horse box and they would like the Council to license the area in red below, for those uses, for the summer months, removing the horse box and store for winter. This is a stand-alone proposal and no serving from Quay 22 is to occur.

### Approximate Area requested



### Picture of the horse box



## **Considerations (not exhaustive)**

**Parking** – By agreeing to the proposal two car parking spaces that are available for free use by the Lundy Co. would be temporarily lost. The Council is not obliged to provide parking for the Lundy co.

**Power and Water** – Available from the Quay building. Charges to be negotiated.

**Health and Safety** – The area identified is situated on a working quay. The safety of users would need to be carefully managed. A risk assessment would be required by the Council for consideration.

**Public Liability** – The proprietors would be required to hold insurance cover to the value of £10M

**License fee** – To be negotiated

**Planning** – If limited to less than two months use there are no immediate implications

**Economic Development** – The proposal accords with the emerging vision for Bideford in that it provides additional trading space that makes the most of the riverside asset.

**Income** – The proposal would generate additional income for the Council. Fee to be set.

**Equity** – There is an argument that the council should make this opportunity available to a wider audience to ensure fairness. The counter argument is that the initiative has been proposed to the Council and therefore deserves consideration on its own merits.

Similar requests (from other proposers) have been refused in previous years because of the commercial activity that occurs on the quayside.

**Trading hours** – Some consideration will need to be given to the days and hours of operation if permitted.

**Waste Management** – Details will be provided by proprietors

**Harbour master comments** – To be delivered at HBWG

**Ward member comments** – Cllrs McGeough, Christie and Bushby are all members of the Harbour Board Working Group and are asked to give their thoughts

Before progressing discussions/ negotiations about the idea into greater detail with the proposers the thoughts of the Harbour Board Working Group are sought.

## **Recommendations**

1. That Harbour Board Working Group consider the principle of the request as set out above.
2. If Harbour Board Working Group is minded to agree that the principle as a good one, that officers work with the proprietors of Quay 22 to facilitate a license for a trial period in the summer of 2022.

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