

Orcombe Point Pop Up Bar – Responses to Notice of Hearing

**Applicant:**

<b>Can Do Pub Company Ltd</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	Yes Oliver Bainbridge - Director of The Can Do Pub Company Ltd
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	None

**Interested Parties:**

**Town Council**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Exmouth Town Council Planning Committee</b>
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	Yes – Councillor Graham Deasy
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p><b>Prevention of crime and disorder</b> The proposed operation of a Pop-Up Bar for up to 60 days within a five-month period (18 May to 5 October 2026) was considered overly open-ended. The absence of specified operating dates would make it difficult for the Licensing Authority, Police, and other responsible authorities to anticipate when the premises would be operating and to put appropriate measures in place to prevent crime and disorder. These concerns were heightened by recent incidents of anti-social behaviour involving groups of youths in Exmouth, together with the enforcement of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) in the area.</p> <p><b>Public Safety</b> The proposed terminal hour of 21:00 raised concerns in the context of existing evening anti-social behaviour in the area. Members were concerned that the operation of the Pop-Up Bar could increase crowding and associated risks, particularly in the absence of certainty around operating dates or clearly defined mitigation measures.</p> <p><b>Prevention of public nuisance</b> The area has an established history of public nuisance, including incidents of public urination and defecation. Exmouth has also experienced a reduction in public toilet provision. Members considered that the proposed operation would be likely to exacerbate public nuisance if adequate facilities were not provided.</p> <p><b>Protection of children from harm</b> Given the proximity of the site to public spaces used by families and young people, Members were concerned that increased alcohol-related activity could expose children and young persons to inappropriate behaviour and potential harm.</p>

	Should any licence be granted, it ought to be subject to robust conditions, including reduced opening hours on specified days and a requirement for the provision of adequate toilet facilities (e.g. portaloos).
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**Ward/Town Councillors**

<b>2.</b>	<b>Councillor Brian Bailey- District Councillor for Exmouth Littleham Ward Town Councillor for Exmouth Littleham Ward</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
	<b>Attending</b>	Yes
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>More litter. How do they intend to police area for ASB, major problem with young people drinking.</p> <p>No specific opening times leading to a possible increase in ASB. There is evidence of crime and disorder in the recent past. There is a PSPO in place.</p> <p>Could increase crowding on pavement and roundabout close to turning circle. Possible conflict with traffic.</p> <p>There is a history of nuisance. No toilets in the area, evening noise disturbing Fox Hole residents. Increase in cars, motorcycles and ASB.</p> <p>This space is used by family, a safe area, known for children to play on sand in rock pools. PSPO area. No drinks should be enforced by EDDC and Police.</p>

<b>3.</b>	<b>Councillor Nick Hookway District Councillor for Exmouth Littleham Ward Town Councillor for Exmouth Littleham Ward</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
	<b>Attending</b>	Yes
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>Isolated nature of site allows anti-social behaviour i.e. boy racers. Isolated site close to a tidal beach. Persons entering the water under the influence would need rescue by RNLI.</p> <p>Orcombe Point is a regular haunt for boy racers, motorbikes and scooters. Noise, odour and pollution result – application will encourage.</p> <p>Isolated site poorly lit, limited access/egress would encourage illegal acts against children.</p>

<b>4.</b>	<b>Councillor Mark Williamson</b> <b>Town Councillor for Exmouth Littleham Ward</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No response received.	
<b>Attending</b>		
<b>Supporting documents</b>		
<b>Summary of key points</b>		

**Other persons**

<b>5.</b>	<b>Alison Cooper</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No	
<b>Attending</b>	No	
<b>Supporting documents</b>	<p>Photograph of portaloo cubicles provided at the recent rugby event on the beach which had a small bar in the main tent.</p> <p>See <b>APPENDIX I1.</b></p>	
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>It would be better to site it near the Queen's Drive Car Park – where there are toilets</p> <p>If the licensing committee considers this is an application at Orcombe Gate – then previous disorder at this location means not suitable to serve alcohol. Re-consultation needed if Orcombe Gate.</p> <p>Most drinks will be pints of beer so problematic that there are no toilets within half a mile. Urinating in public is a crime.</p> <p>People under the influence of alcohol may have their judgement impaired and get cut off by the tide if they wander beyond Orcombe Point.</p> <p>If at Orcombe Gate (event if a temporary licence) then portaloo cubicles should be a condition of licence (similar to rugby event – see photo). The toilets (1) at T1 on our map, ¼ mile away will not be open for all the hours requested.</p> <p>A noise condition should be 55 decibels at 7m for the generator.</p>	

<b>6.</b>	<b>Robert Cooper</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No	
<b>Attending</b>	No	
<b>Supporting documents</b>	<p>Photograph of portaloo cubicles provided at the recent rugby event on the beach which had a small bar in the main tent.</p> <p>See <b>APPENDIX I1.</b></p>	

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<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>It would be better to site it near the Queen's Drive Car Park – where there are toilets</p> <p>If the licensing committee considers this is an application at Orcombe Gate – then previous disorder at this location means not suitable to serve alcohol. Re-consultation needed if Orcombe Gate.</p> <p>Most drinks will be pints of beer so problematic that there are no toilets within half a mile. Urinating in public is a crime.</p> <p>People under the influence of alcohol may have their judgement impaired and get cut off by the tide if they wander beyond Orcombe Point.</p> <p>If at Orcombe Gate (event if a temporary licence) then portaloos cubicles should be a condition of licence (similar to rugby event – see photo). The toilets (1) at T1 on our map, ¼ mile away will not be open for all the hours requested.</p> <p>A noise condition should be 55 decibels at 7m for the generator.</p>
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<b>7.</b>	<b>Rowena Ford</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>		No
<b>Attending</b>		No
<b>Supporting documents</b>		None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p><b>Prevention of crime and disorder</b> Where as at the Western end of the beach alcohol consumption when bought from a licensed premises is supervised as it is consumed on the premises, there would be no supervision at Orcombe Point. Potentially leading to an increase in drunkenness.</p> <p><b>Prevention of public nuisance</b> Excessive alcohol consumption is likely to lead to a public nuisance, particularly as there are no toilet facilities at Orcombe Point.</p> <p><b>Protection of children from harm</b> This area is much used by families and children could be adversely affected by witnessing drunkenness.</p> <p><b>Additional comment:</b> I am concerned that the alcohol being freely available here could lead to excessive consumption – drunkenness, threatening behaviour and disorder and an increase requirement for a police presence. In addition, there are no toilet facilities and as alcohol reduces inhibition this could lead to public urination contaminating the beach and causing distress to families.</p>	

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<b>8.</b>	<b>Louise Kathro</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No response received.	
<b>Attending</b>		
<b>Supporting documents</b>		
<b>Summary of key points</b>		

<b>9.</b>	<b>Robert Kathro</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No	
<b>Attending</b>	No	
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None	
<b>Summary of key points</b>	The hearing is unnecessary because residents and Exmouth Town Council have already made their views known – that the bar proposal should not be approved. My original objection contains my views and they remain as stated.	

<b>10.</b>	<b>Stephen Laskey</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No	
<b>Attending</b>	No	
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None	
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>Application Ref:061692            Pop up bar Orcombe point Exemouth            I stumbled across a sign to say that there was a proposal to erect a pop up bar at the end of Queens Drive Orcombe Point.            As a resident above said proposal I find it quite concerning ,we are troubled by music and loud noise and the smell of illegal substances being smoked already. The Pop up bar would only escalate the problem            My other concern is the lack of public toilets in general along the beach is a issue, but having a large amount of alcohol being sold and consumed will increase the need for toilets as unfortunately we are aware of the zig zag path up to Foxholes already being used as toilets.            Litter would also be a concern from the Pop-up pub , not only from the walkway, beach and the sea.</p>	

<b>11.</b>	<b>Deborah Laskey</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No	
<b>Attending</b>	No	
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None	
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<b>12.</b>	<b>Anthony Mackness</b>
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	No
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	None

<b>13.</b>	<b>Deirdre Mackness</b>
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	Yes
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	None – see original representation

<b>14.</b>	<b>Marc Martineau</b>
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	No
<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p><b>Prevention of crime and disorder</b> Alcohol consumption on an unregulated beach will lead to antisocial behaviour. In the past there have been several mass fights on the beach requiring a lot of police presence.</p> <p><b>Public Safety</b> Alcohol and sea do not mix – increased chance of drunk swimming – more call outs for RNLi</p> <p><b>Prevention of public nuisance</b> No toilet facilities at Orcombe Point so people will urinate on the beach. It's closes to the residential area so the increased noise will be a problem for nearby residents.</p> <p><b>Protection of children from harm</b> It's a public beach used by families with children; it's <u>not</u> a pub!</p>

<b>15.</b>	<b>Helen Parker</b>
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
<b>Attending</b>	No
<b>Supporting documents</b>	

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<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>I refer to my original comments in my email which were brief and to the point.</p> <p>Pedestrianised area. Quiet area currently. Alcohol not appropriate.</p> <p>Staff even if trained area unlikely to be able to respond to behaviour away from the bar. Pop up nature means police may not be aware.</p> <p>Location close to residential estate. Generator limited to 55 decibels as per environmental inspector guidelines.</p> <p>Quiet area, currently safe for children, drinking not appropriate.</p>
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<b>16.</b>	<b>Martin Richards</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No response received.
	<b>Attending</b>	
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	

<b>17.</b>	<b>Juliette Stanworth</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No response received.
	<b>Attending</b>	
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	

<b>18.</b>	<b>Paul Stanworth</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No response received.
	<b>Attending</b>	
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	

<b>19.</b>	<b>Julia Tancock</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
	<b>Attending</b>	No
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	None

<b>20.</b>	<b>Geoff Tancock</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
	<b>Attending</b>	No
	<b>Supporting documents</b>	None
	<b>Summary of key points</b>	None

<b>21.</b>	<b>Ava Wood</b>	
	<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>	No
	<b>Attending</b>	Yes

<b>Supporting documents</b>	Photographs in support of summary of key points – see <b>APPENDIX I2</b>
<b>Summary of key points</b>	<p>The sale of alcohol for the period and frequency proposed would attract greater numbers to the area at the risk of an increase in disorderly behaviour resulting from the consumption of alcohol. This section of the beach is quiet and usually enjoyed by families, children from the Bristol Camp and dog walkers. Occasionally there is disorderly behaviour, and it must be said that much of it is fuelled by alcohol brought to the area by visitors. The pop-up would lead to more frequent occurrences of alcohol-related disorder that the bar staff would be unable to prevent or contain. The distinct lack of public toilets in the near vicinity is a matter of great concern in this case. The pop-up bar would attract more people to Orcombe Point with nowhere to relieve themselves conveniently, other than the surrounding areas enjoyed by the public and/or alongside residential properties on Foxholes Hill.</p> <p>Photos 1, 2 and 3 show the Orcombe Point section of the beach as less populated and more family orientated than the western sections of the beach.</p> <p><b>Promotion of Public Safety</b></p> <p>At busy weekends vehicles are parked on the pedestrian area at the end of Queen’s Drive where the pop-up bar is located, as the legal parking spaces are usually all occupied. The May Bank holiday weekend (23 – 25 May 2026) attracted a great many people to Exmouth beach. Vehicles were parked on double yellow lines throughout the days, raising concerns about public safety. Emergency vehicles cannot negotiate the mini-roundabout when vehicles are double parked. At weekends and in the evenings, there is no or very little monitoring by the police or parking wardens. With the pop-up bar there would be an increase in numbers of people visiting this part of the beach, and the parking concerns would not be limited to the odd weekend. There could be more vehicles parking on the pedestrian area and causing conflict with pedestrians wanting to walk to and from the beach and those just wishing to sit down and enjoy the view.</p> <p>Granting the licence would undermine the objective of promoting public safety. See photos of parking during the 23-25 may Bank Holiday weekend. Photos 4, 5, 6 and 7.</p> <p><b>Prevention of public nuisance</b></p> <p>Families choose to use the Orcombe Point end of the beach deliberately to get away from the crowds, noise and activities generated by the crowds at and around the complex at Sideshore (photo 8). We are concerned that the area around Orcombe Point could become a focus for people visiting for reasons of</p>

	<p>availability of alcohol rather than for enjoyment of the quieter part of Exmouth beach.</p> <p>Issuing a licence would not prevent but would increase the scope for public nuisance. The likely increase in people attracted to Orcombe Point to purchase alcohol would bring with it the sort of rowdy behaviour, vandalism and other alcohol related unpleasantness experienced at weekends. This is worrying for Foxholes Hill residents. We have experienced rowdy behaviour, damage to public property (benches and Jurassic coast related interpretation items), foul language and urinating (or worse) alongside residents' properties and in public places. Much of the unpleasantness stems from consumption of alcohol. The pop-up bar would exacerbate the current problems.</p> <p>The pop-up bar itself may not be playing amplified music, but the conditions of the licence cannot prevent the playing of music on the beach or in vehicles. This is noticeably the quiet end of Exmouth beach. The unregulated and unenforceable incidents of noise from amplified music would be more frequent at the expense of the quiet environment of Orcombe Point. Equally, residents on Foxholes Hill would be materially affected by the likely increase in noise, especially those living in properties perched directly above the eastern end of Queens Drive. The objective of preventing public nuisance would not be met.</p> <p>See photo of Foxholes Hill properties from Orcombe Point beach (Photo 9).</p> <p><b>Protecting children and Young Persons from Harm</b></p> <p>Given the potential for disorderly behaviour, public nuisance arising from noise, alcohol fuelled conduct and risk to public safety, the objective of protecting children and young persons from harm would be undermined. Families tend to use this part of the beach and appreciate its quietness. It is also used by large groups of children attending the Bristol Camp and accessing the beach for their water sports training. The risks to young children would increase by the exposure to alcohol-related, unsavoury behaviour. Sadly, despite the applicant's and bar staff best intentions, there is a greater risk of poor behaviour than would be the case without the bar at Orcombe Point.</p> <p>See photos of families and children enjoying the beach.</p>
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<b>22.</b>	<b>Laurie Wood</b>	
<b>Hearing Unnecessary</b>		No
<b>Attending</b>		No

<b>Represented by</b>	Mrs Ava Wood – who has also made a representation and will be representing herself and Mr Laurie Wood
<b>Supporting documents</b>	Photographs in support of summary of key points – see <b>APPENDIX I2</b>
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See photo of Foxholes Hill properties from Orcombe Point beach (Photo 9).

### **Protecting children and Young Persons from Harm**

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