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3 Thorpe Lane ,  
Robin Hoods Bay,  
Whitby YO22 4RN

19<sup>th</sup> June 2017

NYMNP Planning Officer

Dear Sir ,

I would like to object to the plan to increase the outside area of the FishBox Fish and Chip shop on the Bank at Robin Hoods Bay. I served as Village Caretaker there for 37 years, and one of the main benefits of the job was the beautiful view of Ravenscar and the wide bay from the top of the bank. When I started in the job , there was a minute sweetshop on the site, hardly 6 feet square, selling cups of tea to the people who sat on the public seating outside.

It was very sad to loose the view as each time the business changed hands, it increased in size and height, and seemed to expand into the public seating area. Enough is enough. The latest plan simply puts commerce and profit ahead of the very things that attract visitors to the Bay. You only have to visit the similar St Ives to see how the approach to that historic resort is ruined by blatant commercialism, as a vast cafe blocks the approach to the village. I distinctly remember that the NYMNP's argument for the loss of car parking in the Bank Top scheme was that it spoiled the view, and took away one's sense of approaching something special , lost in time. The business is lucky to have such a prime site, with a lot of public seating near at hand. It should not be allowed to increase in size ,inside or out.

*yours faithfully*

