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Subject: Comments on NYM/2018/0177/FL - Case Officer Mrs H Saunders - Received from Mrs Beverley Birch at Cedar Garth, Thorpe Lane, Robin Hoods Bay, Whitby, YO22 4RN
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I am writing in opposition to the proposed plans on the Quarterdeck in Robin Hoods Bay.

Firstly the position of the public planning notice is questionable. I walk through the dock most days and have not noticed it. Positioned low down on the back of a bin ... really?! It isn't even at eye level which leads me to believe was this intentional that the less people know of this the better?

The Quarterdeck is a much loved seating area where locals and tourists can take time out of their busy lives to sit, reflect and take in the natural scenery around them. If you go ahead with these plans you are effectively putting a big fat commercial stamp on this area and a prominent part of this village's beauty will be lost. How will people ever appreciate it in the same way in the future, if they are to sit amongst extra bins and the smell of frying fat?

The very essence of Robin Hoods Bay, is that it is able to attract increasing numbers of tourists and hold it's own proudly amongst other seaside resorts, because it has remained largely, unchanged and unspoilt. It is a place where modern colour postcards haven't changed much from the black and white ones and this needs to be protected and respected.

The fact pointed out, that there was a tea hut on this site many moon's ago is quite frankly laughable in comparison to what is being proposed now. It was a small non permanent hut, that was moved and stored away when not required. This was probably at a time when there was little else, café wise, in the village.

I won't even get started on the impact, I believe, these plans will have on existing food businesses in today's Robin Hoods Bay.

Regarding the proposal of extra bins, I believe this will still have an impact on the environment, with an increased level of waste. Sadly, despite bins been in place, not everyone uses them. Locals go out of their way to do regular beach cleans and with the importance of eradicating plastics from our sea's, do you honestly believe, that a business such as this, won't be detrimental to that.

I remember living in the lower village some years ago when National Parks would dictate what colour we could paint our front doors, gates, windows and house colour. Whilst this was somewhat annoying on a personal level, it was for the greater good of the village, to retain it's overall look in keeping with it's surroundings. Fast forward to today. If you give the green light to plans that are not within keeping of the village and please take into consideration the location of the plans and the impact it will have. Then does this not make a mockery of what you have stood for in the past to protect the uniqueness of this village.

To conclude, I say this with respect but truth. I feel that, if this person has such a desire to open a beach front fast food business, that they relocate to a more commercial seaside resort, where said business, would be much more suitable and leave the small fishing village of Robin Hoods Bay, what it is and always has been, a place of beauty.

The future of Robin Hoods Bay isn't about providing another fast food business. It's future will survive because of the publics love of it's past.

With regards

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