

TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE – WASHFIELD WEIR, BOLHAM, TIVERTON

POLICE OBJECTION

Please note that I shall attend the hearing on behalf of the Police along with Police Sergeant 6152 Mike Warriner. Further to the Police objection I offer the following information for the benefit of the committee ahead of the hearing on Friday along with a brief outline of the concerns that remain outstanding:

1. Photos taken at the location on Wednesday 3 August 2016. My apologies, I have had some issues with our scanning process – these photos are better viewed once printed off but unfortunately difficult to view on screen. A brief guide to photos is shown below.

- 1 A396 at entrance to field
- 2 A396 showing entrance
- 3 Entrance
- 4 Looking back on to A396
- 5/6/7/8 Lane running from entrance adjacent to river – unfenced, drop to river
- 9 River, fast flowing on date of visit
- 10/11 View of fields
- 12/13/14 The weir, fast flowing on day of visit, unfenced
- 15 Pond, runs directly into the weir
- 16/17/18 Property in close proximity to the pond and field
- 19/20/21 General photos of fields

2. This is NOT a ‘private event’ as stated in the Temporary Event Notice. This event is advertised online with tickets available for purchase. I have attached some of the online adverts to assist the committee. Research suggests that the notice giver Mr Josh SASANOW is also known as Josh HODGEPODGE. The event is advertised as the Hodgepodge Weekender 2016. Whilst the exact location is not divulged online the dates shown on advertisements and the photo used of Washfield Weir tie this event to this location. Photo A shows the weir. Photos marked B,C,D are submitted to show the nature of the event.

3. Mr SASANOW does not have permission to hold the event at this location. This has been verified with the farmer who leases the fields.
4. Police concerns remain regarding ingress and egress to the event and the proximity of the road (public safety)
5. Police concerns remain regarding the proximity of the river and weir and the safeguards in place to prevent access to the river (public safety)
6. Police concerns remain regarding the drugs policy (prevention of crime & disorder, public safety)
7. Police concerns exists re the risk assessment now submitted in support of this TEN (prevention of crime & disorder, public safety)

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