

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 December 2021 09:59
To: MS Marine Licensing <MS.MarineLicensing@gov.scot>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: 00009582 Marine License Application (Staffin harbour development)

We are vigorously opposed to the granting of a Marine License.

1/ The road to the slipway will not be able to support a larger structure, Even with the proposed works, the road is too narrow and there are too many blind spots to cope with the expected increase in traffic. We live and own a number of holiday and long-term lets [REDACTED] [REDACTED] off the road to the slipway. Every summer we already have to help remove, almost daily, camper-vans that have got stuck in the ditch by our house. There is also such a volume of traffic that we often have to wait 10-15 minutes to be able to get out onto the main road. The expected twofold increase in traffic, with the development, will significantly exacerbate the problem further.

2/ When the holiday lets are full in the summer we have a community of 30 people [REDACTED] [REDACTED] There are often 5-10 children playing in the area. The risk to their safety could be dramatically compromised by the development.

3/ The financial viability of our holiday let business could also be impacted if the road becomes increasingly impassable and where parents are frightened for the safety of their children.

4/ There is no clear financial logic for the development. The only clearly identifiable source of revenues is from the highly controversial and environmentally damaging fish farm industry.

I am willing to attend any discussions that may be held concerning this application. I am also willing to provide my own independent traffic report in necessary.

[REDACTED]

PLEASE CAN YOU CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE OF THIS E-MAIL