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**To:**

Licensing  
North East Lincolnshire Council  
Doughty Road Depot  
Doughty Road  
North East Lincolnshire  
DN32 0LL

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Re: Appeal Against Refusal of Licence to Sell Alcohol – Hvide Sande Cafe, Waltham Windmill**

Dear Licensing Officer,

I formally appeal the recent decision to refuse the application for a licence to sell alcohol at Hvide Sande Cafe, located at Waltham Windmill, Waltham. We believe this refusal has been driven not by objective regulatory standards, but by actions and decisions which are contrary to the principles and requirements set out in North East Lincolnshire Council's Code of Conduct (August 2023).

It is deeply concerning that councillors—including both members of North East Lincolnshire Council and Waltham Parish Council—who also serve as trustees of the Waltham Windmill Trust, have acted in a way that appears biased and lacking in impartiality. Their conduct suggests they have conspired to unduly influence this decision, without a sound evidential basis, to the disadvantage of our business.

This raises serious concerns in relation to several key areas of the Councillors' Code of Conduct:

- **Section 3 – General Principles of Councillor Conduct:** Councillors are expected to act fairly, lawfully, and with integrity, avoiding the use of their position to confer disadvantage. The circumstances surrounding this decision strongly suggest these standards were not upheld.
- **Section 5.2 – Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination:** We have experienced constant behaviour amounting to harassment and victimisation, with indications of racial bias. This is in direct contravention of the principles of equality and fairness required of those in public office.
- **Section 5.3 – Impartiality:** The dual roles held by councillors as both elected officials and trustees of the Waltham Windmill Trust present a clear conflict of interest. Their influence over this outcome calls into question the fairness and legality of the process.
- **Appendix A – Nolan Principles:** The refusal of the licence appears to contravene core principles such as objectivity, accountability, openness, and integrity.

It is important to note that the Humberside Police Licensing Officer has **not raised any concerns** about our application and, in fact, has been **very supportive** throughout the process. Their endorsement reinforces our position that the application poses no risk to the licensing objectives and should be judged on its merits, free from undue political or personal interference.

Accordingly, we respectfully request:

1. That the refusal be set aside and the application reviewed independently and transparently.
2. That an **external investigation** be launched into the conduct of the individuals involved, including their roles and decision-making practices, to determine whether breaches of the Code of Conduct have occurred.

We ask that this matter be escalated to the highest level of probity outside North East Lincolnshire Council, given the appearance of systemic bias and questionable governance.

We would welcome confirmation of receipt of this appeal and remain willing to provide any further evidence or clarification as needed.

Yours faithfully,

**Jens Christian Fredrichsen**

Proprietor, Hvide Sande Cafe