

For the attention of Mr Fillmore

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19th January 2010

Dear Mr Fillmore

Ref: The Ship Inn, Brancaster, Planning ref: 09/02128/f

We write concerning our planning application for 3 houses in the current beer garden at The Ship. We are aware of the concerns raised by local residents regarding weddings and other large functions that could be held at the above venue.

We have always felt that the beer garden was inappropriately located not only for the purpose of larger functions but also for the day-to-day usage of a pub garden. We intend moving the beer garden from its existing position to that marked on our proposal next to the Inn, and to rearrange the parking as the planning layout recently submitted. This allows for a more secure garden with better access to the pub facilities, making it more efficient for the staff to manage and more comfortable and appealing to customers, especially those with young families wanting to keep an eye on their children.

We consider that the re-arrangement of the outdoor space at The Ship gives a better garden for all our customers and would, in theory, allow us sufficient space to offer functions as described on our website. However, whilst some larger dinners may occasionally take place we would say that the overall size of garden and venue make it unlikely that it will host functions such as weddings.

We are very much looking forward to coming to Brancaster and hope that The Ship will support and become an integral part of local life. We understand the views of the local community and would like to reassure them that we take all of their concerns seriously and wish to work with them wherever possible.

Yours sincerely

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