

Ann - Please see email below.

With Thanks

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Anne – With reference to the street trading consent application submitted by David Alcock to trade on the lay by at Alderhanger Lane; I would like to offer the following comments on behalf of Community Safety.

At Community Safety we are aware of the historical and current problems with the lay by at Alderhanger Lane. The lay by has previously been a location which has experienced persistent problems with sexual offences known as 'dogging'. This resulted in the highway authority granting a temporary road closure order to prevent the activity occurring which has been in place for a few years. The temporary road closure has recently been lifted and David Alcock has started trading from this lay by since.

As a result of the re-opening of this lay by we have intelligence that sexual offences have recommenced in this area. David Alcock has placed a portable toilet facility in the lay by which is providing convenience facilities for those who are partaking in illegal sexual activities. On recent inspection of the portable toilet facility it was clear to see that the facility was being used for sexual activities due to the offensive graffiti and the sexual paraphernalia.

This type of activity is detrimental to the environment and the community. I would strongly object to any form of street trading in the Alderhanger Lane lay by which encourages the offensive activities that are occurring at this location.

On a separate note I can also confirm that Community Safety have issued a written caution to David Alcock for placing illegal advertising on the highway insisting on the removal of illegal and dangerous signage; David Alcock did comply to the request.

There will be a joint agency meeting on 18th February 2011 to discuss the problems mentioned and establish an intervention to prevent offences occurring at this location; I would envisage that the closure of the lay by could be one option to be discussed which would be hindered if street trading consent was granted.

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