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Dear Ms Bowers,

### Planning Application 3/2020/0142 - Clitheroe Golf Club

Members of Barrow Parish Council have considered this application as it borders the parish boundary and object to the proposals based on the impact they will have on neighbouring properties.

Furthermore, Members request that the application is NOT decided using delegated officer powers, but instead is formally scrutinised and decided by RVBC's planning committee at an open meeting. This is to protect RVBC and ensure that decisions are seen to be impartial as many staff and Councillors are likely to be members of the Golf Club and have an interest in the outcome of the application.

It is felt that the Golf Club has deliberately flouted the previously approved plans and conditions under reference 3/2019/0653 with the construction currently underway. The proposals are not 'fundamentally the same'. They show a change of dimensions, a change of materials and a change of location. Members wonder if this was a backdoor method to gain approval for a scheme that would not otherwise be acceptable? Members believe that the current application should NOT be given consent, but rather the original plans for a smaller, wooden structure in the approved location be reinstated. These plans are far more acceptable to its countryside location and the neighbouring properties.

Members object to the hours of operation in this application. The original application granted opening hours of 8am -- 8pm but the new application aims to extend these hours considerably, causing further inconvenience for neighbours with light and noise pollution. It is felt that the hours of operation should be reduced to those previously approved.

Also, it is felt that plans for the lighting design are insufficient and do not show the effect on residual lux levels at the boundary and in the vicinity of the houses, or whether it complies with the environment or accepted standards. The effect of the lighting levels on fauna in the area needs to be carefully considered as habitats for wildlife in the area are already depleted. All lighting should be at a low level, and not floodlit. Reducing the hours of operation would result in lower levels of light pollution, which would reduce the effect on wildlife and the environment.

Yours sincerely,

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