

Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public
Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: We are writing to object to this application on safety grounds and share the concerns registered by Loch Lomond Rowing Club and Sweeney's Cruises who are regular users of the existing navigable channel.

The drawing submitted by the applicant is misleading as it does not show the true scale of moored boats and in reality if granted permission the pontoon and mooring extension will exacerbate an already hazardous situation further given the proximity of existing pontoons on either side of the river.

The task of navigating past the cruising clubs pontoons on both sides of the river when boats are berthed is already very challenging for passenger boats with a restricted channel that is not navigable by two passenger boats or rowing crews safely.

It is important that a 29 metre navigable channel is maintained in the area where the applicant wishes to extend pontoons and moorings as if there is further encroachment in the channel this will create a serious safety hazard which clearly is undesirable and in no ones interest.

Like other objectors we would not object if a modified plan was submitted and the pontoons were extended in a slightly different position that guarantees the retention of the current 29metre navigable channel.

We hope a revised scheme can address the concerns raised by a number of parties.