Rowlands Castle Parish Council

Lisa Walker Clerk

- To:The local pubs and café on or near The Green.
(The Fountain, The Robin Hood, The Bumblebee Café and The Castle)
- Copy: Other local businesses, County & District Councillors, Residents.

Dear Local Business Owner

Over the last few challenging months, Rowlands Castle Green has often become a focal point for people to gather, especially on warm weather days, and we are pleased to see them enjoying it. Many have observed the Government's social-distancing requirements, though sadly not all, and the Parish Council has received various complaints about this.

The Parish Council appreciates the valuable contribution the businesses around The Green make to the sense of community within the Parish. We wish all our local businesses well as lockdown measures begin to ease. We look to business owners to support the community as they follow Government guidelines, and serve their customers within their own premises so that residents and visitors alike can enjoy The Green freely and safely. Please do not place your own tables or chairs on The Green.

The Green has registered status and is subject to specific bye-laws. To allow people to appreciate the space, in recent months the Parish Council has had to increase the frequency of waste collection from its bins significantly, which will impact on the funds paid to the Parish Council by local residents (the precept). Depending on the nature of your business, please encourage your customers to dispose of their rubbish carefully, where possible on your premises, or take it home with them so that no litter is left on The Green.

The Parish Council owns The Green but cannot be held responsible for unauthorised or unlicensed activity on it.

The Parish Council wishes your business success and hopes that your customers, together with other visitors and residents, can continue to enjoy the great asset that is The Green.

Yours faithfully

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Lisa Walker – Clerk to Rowlands Castle Parish Council on behalf of Rowlands Castle Parish Council