Appendix 1

(1) Deputation concerning the PVP St James' Street Party

We the under listed members of The Kingscliffe Society wish to make a deputation for moving the PVP (St James's Street Party) down onto Madeira Drive, at the next full Council Meeting on the 19th April 2018.
We therefore would refer to the Economic Development & Culture Committee meeting 13/11/ 2014 and to Agenda item 35 (ref 3.28.21) in support.

Introduction

We the Kingscliffe Society and on behalf of many other businesses and residents have sent the Council a notification of a Declaration dated 7th April 2018. The subject of the Declaration is a list of the effects imposed on us, without any effective consideration of our needs, by the St James's Street
Party (PVP). We will introduce a copy of an Email from the Pride organisation issued prior to the actual event for the comparison of our list of effects with their proposed action plan.
There are amongst our residents the old – some housebound, some less able and some who require help two or three times a day. There are young families that cannot afford simply to move away and rent, because it is the most expensive time of the year. The late night noise of the street party disturbs everyone young & elderly well into the night. Many of our more lucky residents simply move away temporarily, but some of our local businesses have to bite the bullet and close, losing a valuable weekend's income and more.
The resulting street conditions can only be described as a disgusting nightmare. All of these problems have been growing from year to year without being resolved and without respect and consideration for us all. In past years pre---event public meetings have been called without informing all the businesses and residents, yet still claiming a favourable response, even though the real views and/or consent of all those concerned have never been sought.
The original purpose of this party as a celebration of the gay community has been completely undermined by the presence of a vast army of hangers--on, who appear intent only on unlicensed excess and drink/drug taking, and who have no natural connection to the city at any other time of the year. We are obliged to live with the effects for days afterwards and we then dread the fact that it will all happen again next year, getting worse each time.
There are no real reasons why this event should not be moved to the adjacent seafront at Madeira Drive. Proper controls could be more easily instituted, while few, if any, of the residents would be seriously affected. At least any acts of appalling drunkenness and bad behaviour would not be occurring close to our homes, properties and businesses. [It might even become an event to which people would be proud to bring grandparents or nieces and nephews.]
With due respect, we cannot imagine that any of our Councillors would like the St James's Street party imposed on their own home and front doorstep for a full weekend Friday night to Sunday night. We therefore respectfully request Council not to give permission for this event to take place in the St James's Street area.
We are grateful to all members and businesses who have taken the time to send us feedback about last year's event. The following is a summary of last year's evet:

- No street cleaning until days after the event and only St. James Street was
- cleaned, the side streets were ignored
- No rubbish collectors during the event
- Nobody from Pride was visible or contactable during the event
- Sound systems not adhering to their contractual start/finish times
- Toilets were installed even though the contactors were aware they were not
- working
- Nobody in charge of the stewards who had at best a disinterested attitude in
- their role

- Feedback from many attendees at the event was that bags and wristbands were not checked
- No security in attendance in any of the side streets
- External Police Forces were used who did not know the area - they did not know
- where evacuation points were
- Excessive on-line 'administration' fees as well as processing fees for wristbands
- How it is always Aeon Productions and its associates who wins the tender for the
- event even when they are offered cheaper and better alternatives
- No local consultation regarding the event
- Residents were refused access by the security guards at the bottom of Dorset
- Gardens
- We used to enjoy the street party when it was actually focused on the gay
- community - rather than the economically motivated, overcrowded heterosexual
- Carnival now being promoted
- We were annoyed to have to wear wristbands to shop in our own community
- Police coverage in the St James' Street area virtually non-existent

Collated by The Kingsliffe Society.
We will be meeting the event organisers shortly to discuss this and we will also present feedback to a meeting of the full Council in due course.