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Dear Sirs

Don't throttle the hen that lays the golden egg. Well maybe don't throttle the hen that lays the silver, bronze or tin eggs either. Fact is when the pubs are gone, you'll have nothing left to throttle anyway! Revenues will cease.

Public house are not run as drop in centres for those wanting to get out of the rain, granted. But they are a large part of the 'social fabric' of life and have been so for many, many generations. Communities that are slowly fragmenting due to changing environmental pressures, loss of village shops, post offices, an urban and rural sense of unity slowly seeping away, a gradual loss of social cohesion, identity and 'camaraderie'.

Pubs need to be able to pay their way, staff costs, overheads etc. Everyone loses out when businesses are driven to failure, right?

As mentioned above, you're not running a charity, granted, but re-think the game before there is no game to think about!

Yours sincerely,

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