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Comments: I am writing as a regular paying customer and angler at the fishery to show my support for this application.

I regularly fish the lakes, including overnight sessions, and I think having someone living permanently on site would be a real benefit to both the fishery and the anglers who use it.

From an angler's point of view, security is particularly important. When fishing overnight I can have several thousand pounds worth of fishing equipment with me, including rods, reels and other tackle, which is often left at the swim while I am asleep. Knowing that someone is permanently on site would give me much more peace of mind and would also act as a deterrent to potential theft.

I also think having someone living on site would help deter fish poaching and allow any suspicious activity to be noticed much more quickly. The fishery is well looked after and has some very valuable fish, so having that extra presence would be reassuring.

I have always found the people who run the fishery to be friendly and dedicated to looking after the lakes and providing a good place for people to fish. I believe having accommodation on site would help them continue to do this and would be a positive thing for the fishery.

I am therefore very happy to support the application.

Yours faithfully,

Ben

Regular angler and paying customer

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