

Application: 20250363

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENTS) REGULATIONS 1992**

NOTIFICATION OF REFUSAL OF EXPRESS CONSENT TO DISPLAY ADVERTISEMENT(S)

To: **Punch Taverns
C/O Miss Victoria Jackson, S R SIGNS
Wortley Moor Lane
Leeds
LS12 4HX**

TAKE NOTICE that the **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts, has **REFUSED EXPRESS CONSENT** for the display of (an) advertisement(s) situate:-

at **Sir John Falstaff
Gravesend Road
Higham
Rochester
Kent
ME3 7NZ**

and being **Advertisement consent; erection of illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building.**

**SIGN A - ONE X NEW PICTORIAL TO EXISTING BRACKET AND NEW LINOLITES
SIGN B - ONE X NEW FASCIA SIGN WITH A SET OF INDIVIDUAL LETTERS AND TROUGH LIGHT
SIGN C - ONE X NEW A0 POSTER CASE
SIGN D - FIVE X NEW SMALL LED FLOODLIGHTS
SIGN E - FOUR X NEW WALL LIGHTS
SIGN F - ONE X NEW NAMEBOARD WITH TROUGH LIGHT
SIGN G - THREE X NEW AMENITY SIGNS
SIGN H - ONE X NEW SET OF INDIVIDUAL HOUSENAME LETTERS**

Your application dated 11th April 2025 is refused on the following grounds:-

1. The proposed advertisements due to the use of inappropriate materials in the form of shiny Perspex and also unnecessary clutter in respect of some of the proposed advertisements or some elements of them would be harmful to the architectural and historic interest of this listed building and to the visual amenity of the area. As such the proposal is contrary to Policies CS19 and CS20 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy (2014), saved Policies TC2 & TC8 of the Gravesham Local Plan First Review (1994) and sections 12 & 16 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024).

Your attention is drawn to the following informatives

INFORMATIVES:-

- 1 DECISION PLANS

For the avoidance of doubt, the forms, plans and documents upon which this decision is made comprise:

- o Application form;
- o Location Plan;
- o Block Plan showing signage positioning;
- o Drawing no. 26076 - Planning DD;
- o Un-numbered drawing - Scaled Elevations;
- o Un-numbered drawing - Proposed Elevations; and
- o Un-numbered drawing - Existing Elevations.

2 STATEMENT OF POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE APPROACH TO DECISION-MAKING

In accordance with Article 35 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), and paragraph 39 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2024, the Local Planning Authority has approached the assessment and determination of this application in a positive and creative manner. In this instance the application is not in accordance with the Development Plan for the area and cannot be supported.

Dated: 6 February 2026

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NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT FOLLOWING REFUSAL OF CONSENT OR GRANT OF CONSENT SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

Appeals to the Secretary of State

If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse consent for the proposed development, or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

- If this is a decision on an application relating to the same or substantially the same land and proposal as is already the subject of an advert discontinuance notice and if you want to appeal against the local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within **28 days** of the date of this notice.
- If an advert discontinuance notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and proposal as in your application and if you want to appeal against the local planning authority's decision on your application and the discontinuance notice, then you must do so **before the date the advert discontinuance notice comes into effect**.
- In all other cases, you will need to submit your appeal against the local planning authority's decision, or any of the conditions imposed, within **8 weeks** of the date of this notice.

NOTE: Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted advertisement consent for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.