

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 28/01/2024 12:39 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: The Amazon And Tiger Harvel Street Meopham Gravesend Kent DA13 0DE

Proposal: Change of use to C3 dwellinghouse.

Case Officer: Mrs Alison Webster

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Gravesend

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: I wish to object strongly to the proposed change of use from business to private

I have been a patron of the Amazon and Tiger public house from the late 1960s until its closure during the pandemic. (Some 50 years). During this time I have witnessed its changing faces.

When the current owner bought the public house the village and patrons were very pleased to find that it was to be reopened, after a spell of closure, as a public house once more. The customers were welcome with enthusiasm There was, once more, a central meeting place with good regular food for locals and people from further afield. Members of walking, cycling, tractor enthusiasts and the local running clubs were encouraged and made to feel at home. The public house organised various events, such as beer festivals, which were well attended. Specialised music evenings with several course dinners were popular and many other smaller events took place. As a family we have always supported these occasions and have used the large room at the side for personal celebrations. Clubs have been welcome for meetings and AGMs Morris dancers have been frequent visitors and horse riders and horse driving groups have often stopped for a refreshing drink.

In the years leading up to the pandemic the atmosphere had become less welcoming with various customers being banned for minor reasons, frequently taking their whole group with them Meals were no longer the excellent quality previously experienced and less available with quality, quantity and punctuality disappointing Gradually the customers fell away

There is no alternative public house in the area and the village and surrounding area now has no central point of regular contact. I understand that this building was built as a public house about 100 years ago with private accommodation. When I first knew the Amazon and Tiger there were two small bars for customers. Later the private downstairs room was included and later the extension at the side added to accommodate the swelling clientele

From my local knowledge and comments from various contacts I feel that the Amazon and Tiger could become, once more, the centre of local life. Over the years we have lost the two village shops the Amazon and Tiger must not be allowed to fade away through lack of enthusiasm of the owner.

Please note my comments and respect my wish to keep my identity anonymous publicly

Kind regards