

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 11:08 AM 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 am writing to object to the following application as someone who frequented the Amazon & Tiger public house multiple times a week though my running club and singing club and personally. I absolutely refute the applicants accusations that the pub is no longer viable and unsupported by the community. Their application has left me outraged due to its blatant misleading inaccuracies and untruths with the obvious intent to mislead the planning committee on the grounds of greed. The Amazon & Tiger was a linch-pin in the Harvel community being supported by multiple local groups and many many villagers - and those far and wide of just the immediate village area. In this rural community it is imperative that this valuable asset is not allowed to be lost.

The current owners have been offered many options to allow the pub to stay open but have refused all offers as it doesnt fit in with their plan to sell the pub as a private dwelling for finacail gain.

I would like to refer to their application and the "evidence" they provided that the village went out of its way to not be supportive:

Figures 2/3a/3c refer to the harvel 5 race oranised by the Harvel Hash House Harriers (of which the landlord was a member and friend for many years) - this is a once a year event that the pub were involved in. In fact in made up part of their application for the applicationof the Bed & Breakfast, they sited that the race bought so much custom to the village. I also have evidence of the Harvel Hash House Harriers promoting the Amazon & Tiger on their race promotional flyers. As a club we also used to supply all members who assisted on the day with "tokens" to spend in the pub of which we then paid the landlord for the value of the tokens. I myself have waited over 30 mins for a drink in the pub on this day so it in no way effected their profits. The running club also used to hold a party for members after the race at the amazon & Tiger until the landlords told us they no longer wanted us to do that so we were forced to hold the party in the Village Hall.

I can produce evidence of the running club fully supporting the club - advertising events at the pub and holding a plethora of events at the pub.

As a singing group we also used to hold events there at Christmas with Christmas Carols etc - which were stading room only events.

Personally I held birthday drinks/gatherings / charity events there in support of

the pub as did many members of both of my groups.

Figures 5, 7D, 8 & 9 - these events happened after the pub was closed to still offer the village an opportunity to get together and demonstrates the appetite for there to be a central hub in the village - which the pub used to be.

The reference to the Village Hall taking events seems ludicrous, many village halls run alongside a viable pub - not all events lend themselves to the pub environment and many of the events I have been at in the Village hall - prior to the pub closing- the landlords have also attended.

The community in Harvel is strong and the desire for village events and to support the village is second to none.

A pub is impertive to ensuring we can sustane an active village community supporting young and old and creating that cohesion between all villagers and those in the surrounding areas.

I cannot stress enough its importance that this applicationis denied.

Kind regards