

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 27/01/2024 2:27 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 to the proposal which, if approved, would result in the total loss of this public house.

My reasons are as follows:

It is the only pub in the village community.

The next nearest pub is over a mile away, through country lanes with no footpath and no street lighting.

There are other pubs in the area that are very successful despite being in a less populous village - The Cock Inn and The Golden Lion in Luddesdown.

Pubs are identified as community facilities and change of use from a public house would contravene the Council's requirement to safeguard its use and resist its loss as stated in paragraph 92 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The pub was not, in my view, being run/managed in ways which optimise its potential. I believe that this pub should have its viability fully and transparently tested.

I have lived in the village for almost 20 years and used the pub regularly over this time. It has been somewhere to meet with friends and family, celebrate good times and support members of the local community during bad times.

It has been used not only by local villagers, many groups used it as a meeting place, such as the local running club, share club, knitting club and mountain bikers to name a few.

It has been a go to meeting place after local events such as the summer fete and the Harvel five race.

Many elderly villagers used it as it was easily accessible and a good way to

socialise and keep abreast of local issues.

I have also witnessed the pub being progressively run down over this period. When my family first moved to the village the pub was the hub. Most people used it, it was, busy and lively with a juke box and great food, however, over the years the facilities have fallen into disrepair. The toilets became almost unusable as they barely flushed and smelly nappy bins often overflowed. In fact, I used to pop home to use my own bathroom (as did many others!)

Since the Amazon and Tiger shut its doors the village has lost its hub and in my opinion there is still a clear need for a pub in the village.

Kind regards