

Consultation Response from KC Policy		
2019/92810 Hip Hops Beer Shop, 77, Lidget Street, Lindley, Huddersfield, HD3 3JP		
Change of use from A1 (retail) to mixed use A1 (retail) and A4 (drinking establishment).		
Date Responded: 15/10/19	Responding Officer: Nick Reeves	Responding Ref:
<p>The proposal is for a change of use from A1 (retail) to mixed use A1 (retail) and A4 (drinking establishment) in Lindley. Currently, the retail unit contains 27 sq. m of A1 floorspace and the change of use will result in 15 sq. m of A1 floorspace and 12 sq. m A4 floorspace. The site is located within Lindley District Centre (DCB6) as allocated in the Kirklees Local Plan which was adopted on 27th February 2019.</p> <p>Policy LP13 Town Centre Uses defines Lindley as being a District Centre whose role and function is to 'provide a range of shopping for everyday needs and serving specialist markets' along with being 'the local focus for basic financial services, food and drink, entertainment, leisure and tourist facilities and health services'. Taking these into consideration, the proposed mix of uses would be acceptable in this location</p> <p>Policy LP14 on shopping frontages in the Local Plan also defines district centres as being Primary Shopping Areas (PSAs) where retail uses and other main town centres are focussed. The policy also expects uses in PSAs to either maintain or provide active ground floor uses. With the proposal retaining the original A1 usage, the active ground floor use will be maintained and as such, this is an acceptable proposal.</p> <p>The other Local Plan policy that relates to this proposal is LP16 Food and drink uses and the evening economy. With the proposal being within a defined centre and retaining an A1 usage, the addition of A4 floorspace will complement the existing use and ensure that there is no harm to the vitality and viability of Lindley District Centre in particular as the A1 element of the proposal will remain the predominant use.</p>		