

About the application

Application number: 2020/91611	
What is the application for?:	Change of use from mixed commercial/residential use to fully commercial (B1 offi
Address of the site or building:	92, New North Road, Edgerton, Huddersfield, HD1 5QP
Postcode:	HD1 5QP

User comments

Type of comment: An objection

I would like to make a formal objection to this application on the grounds that it increases the security risk to the residential properties sharing the communal courtyard and entrances, as well as further increased breach of policy.

The newly proposed hours which are proposed to cover late weekday evenings and long weekend hours will greatly effect our standard of living, especially with the car park overlooking windows into low level apartments, including bedroom and living spaces. This will be a clear invasion of privacy to extend the opening hours to social and personal time. This is also a major concern if the property becomes a fully commercial unit as this is a residential area with partial commercial use, further expansion of this lead to an increase in the vehicle and pedestrian traffic flow which will further raise the level of noise/disturbance, pollution and security risks.

We have already experienced high levels of disturbance from construction work that has been ongoing since 2019. This is severely affecting our mental well being, the space is unsightly with scaffolding/skips/vans present and we are being awoken at 7.30am to skips being filled, power tools and hammering. Nails and other debris cover the car park causing damage to car tyres.

We are also experiencing a lack of privacy from continuous activity outside our property. Allowing further work to the building will see an increase to the completion timeline; The initial work has still not been completed and a proposal to renovate further only extends their ability to cause further distress.

One of the main reasons for rejecting our original objection in 2018 was due to the commercial activity only being in office hours and therefore not impeaching our personal time. This is now no the case and approval of this application could see commercial activity on evenings, weekends and bank holidays. This causes privacy, standard of living and safety issues to all residents.

I again have reservations that there is sufficient parking for several commercial offices within the boundaries owned by number 92. Parking has been restricted on the roadside due to the opening of Brambles academy and I believe this means there is an increased chance of damage to residents vehicles in tight spaces, encroachment on my property and increased chance of commercial users blocking access for residents.

It is worth mentioning that we have already had an increase of criminal activity with a number of attempts to break into cars, which has been reported to the police and has the relevant crime number as evidence. The increased lighting and activity from number 92 in the car park has made our area more visible and has highlighted opportunities for theft.

To summarise, the application greatly impeaches privacy for the residents and we hope can not be considered by a council who carries a high degree of empathy for its constituents. I implore you to take into account the comments raised in the original application in 2018 (2018/62/92347/W)