

About the application

Application number: 2021/91724	
What is the application for?:	Erection of raised decking with balustrade, new door opening and 3 giant umbrell
Address of the site or building:	Smiths Arms, 1, Town Gate, Highburton, Huddersfield, HD8 0QP
Postcode:	SY1 3TE

User comments

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This is a mainly residential area and in a conservation area. My concerns regarding this extension include privacy in that if this area is raised the privacy currently afforded may affect my privacy.

Since the recent opening of the pub the landlord's have extensively increased the outdoor seating and there have been a few issues with brawling and antisocial behavior. In addition the current patronage are very noisy to such an extent that we have difficulty watching the TV or listening to music, this continues to be a major concern particularly at the weekends.

As the car park has now been taken over as an outdoor drinking area and this planning application seeks to strengthen this by building a permanent structure there are several areas of concern with regard to road traffic. As the car park is no longer able to be used the cars are parked all along the street on corners, on pavements, both sides of the road, and on the national monument etc.

This creates a bottleneck of traffic and as it is on the apex of a hill, driving vision is restricted. In addition people have to walk onto the road as there isn't enough room left to pass on the pavements due to the cars.

In addition on a couple of occasions I have not been able to exit on enter my drive due to parked cars across the driveway.

This causes significant problems. I am further concerned that if this structure is erected and even more outdoor seating is added to the carpark these problems will become even greater.

The current temporary structure has been there throughout the current Covid situation and we have had to endure excessive noise, and whilst we appreciate we should expect some noise from the Public house this has recently been quite excessive at times.

I would also ask that consideration be made that the private garden to the rear of the carpark should be fenced off as no planning permission has been granted to utilise this area as a beer garden. Whilst there is no seating in the area it is still used by the patronage of the pub and on occasions young males have been urinating in this area. This again raises the issue of additional noise and reduced privacy.

I believe that this is a village pub and a real asset to the village, I hope that the issues raised can be addressed.