

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

Type of comment: A general comment	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
The Smiths Arms pub is central to the village of Highburton, boasting excellent views across the Woodsome Valley. Prior to the Covid lockdowns, the pub only had two tables in the area that the new decking is proposed. Due to increased popularity of the pub and the need for outdoor service, additional tables have had to be sited across the car park. Not only does this reduce the current parking capacity, but it also puts the noise from customers closer to nearby residents. The proposed decking area is sympathetic to the aesthetics of the pub, and will allow tables to be sited higher up the car park, reinstating a number of the currently unavailable parking spaces. This will alleviate some of the traffic/parking pressures the nearby roads are currently experiencing. It will also draw any noise away from neighbours and nearer the pub. The only point I have concern over is the double doors that appear to be planned for one exterior wall of the building. The fabric of the pub dates back to 1669 and to knock a hole through an exterior wall is neither necessary or appropriate. External access via steps at the side would be sufficient. As a general comment though, I support this proposal and think it will benefit both the pub and its customers.	