

Consultation Response from KC, Highways Development Management

2021/93305 61-65, New Street, Huddersfield, HD1 2BQ

Change of use and conversion of existing buildings, the erection of a split-level seven storey extension comprising a four-storey stairwell, five-storey roof-top tower block and enclosed courtyard to form 31 residential apartments/dwellings and sub-division of the retail unit forming 61-63 New Street (Full Planning Application)

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This application seeks approval for the change of use and conversion of existing buildings, the erection of a split-level seven storey extension comprising a four-storey stairwell, five-storey roof-top tower block and enclosed courtyard to form 31 residential apartments/dwellings and sub-division of the retail unit forming 61-63 New Street, Huddersfield.

The proposal would create thirty single-bedroomed apartments and one two-bedroomed apartment. Cycle storage is provided, and the refuse collection arrangements are to be unchanged.

New Street is located within the southern part of the recognised town centre of Huddersfield. The site is in a highly sustainable location within a few hundred metres of both the main bus and train stations. As such, the usual requirement for off-street parking is not necessary in this instance.

Although Highways DM has no objection to the change of use, further clarification is required in terms of cycle storage. Kirklees' Highway Design Guide SPD recommends that there is sufficient room to store one bike per apartment; it should therefore be demonstrated that the proposed cycle store has sufficient space to house 31 bicycles.