

## About the application

Application number: 2022/92799	
What is the application for?:	Erection of extensions, conversion of existing attached barn to living accommoda
Address of the site or building:	17, Town Gate, Upperthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3UX
Postcode:	HD9 3UX

## User comments

Type of comment: A supporting comment	
Do you wish your comments to be published on the website anonymously?	Yes
<p>I supported the original application and am sorry that an opportunity to create a really interesting and sympathetic building has been scaled down. Developments on Towngate in the last few years have allowed for architectural vision and scope; indeed the property opposite this one is entirely modern and replaces an old building that was completely demolished. However, I think that this amended application will still enhance the Conservation area on the front aspect, by removing the plastic porch and replacing it with a much more harmonious stone one. The removal of the roller shutter on the barn will also add much to the aesthetics of Towngate, and it will be good to see the barn door being reinstated as an opening, which must be the purpose of any door. This will allow the residents to drive through to the rear of the property to park, which will improve the congestion on the road and thus the safety of all. They will also be able to turn and exit forwards, which is also a significant safety consideration. The rear of the property has modern housing around it and a wooden conservatory type extension to the pub. On the other side there is an oak and glass extension. I think the proposed plan for the rear of the building would be in keeping with the Conservation area using traditional materials and vernacular design.</p> <p>It seems to me that the applicants have addressed all the principal objections to their initial application with their revised plans and that they should be supported. No planning application on Towngate has elicited much comment at all in recent years and major building works have taken place without causing any problem. The much duplicated and repetitive objections could be seen as an organized and vexatious campaign against the applicants.</p>	