

HG/JC/2134

19th April 2024

Kirklees Council
Development Management
PO Box B93
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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Application
Reconfiguration of 6 Student Bedsit Flats to create 16 Student Apartments at
5A Northumberland Street, Huddersfield HD1 1RF

Please find enclosed a planning application to reconfigure 6 student flats at 5A Northumberland Street, to create 16 Student Apartments.

Planning permission (ref: 2010/92450) was granted in November 2010 to convert the building, which was previously used by the Kirklees Music School and The Christian Fellowship, to create 11 Student Flats. Further to that a non-material amendment (ref: 2011/NMA/90676) was approved in March 2011.

Whilst initially they were popular, the demand for student accommodation has changed with most student accommodation now comprising self-contained apartments with their own bathroom, kitchen and living space. The proposed development reflects this change in demand, with each flat having its own bathroom and kitchen/living space.

An application was approved in November 2022 (Ref: 2022/91298) for the reconfiguration of 5 student bedsit flats to create 14 student apartments. This was phase 1 of the reconfiguration. This application seeks the reconfiguration of the remainder of the building.

The proposed development requires no external changes to the building and all the flats exceed the national minimum space standards.

I hope you agree that the information above and the attached plans are sufficient for you to validate and subsequently approve this planning application.

Yours faithfully

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