

About the application

Application number: 2024/92109	
What is the application for?:	Change of use of ground floor from salon (Class E) to restaurant (Class E(b)), i
Address of the site or building:	Mark Betts Hair And Beauty, 43, Commercial Street, Batley, WF17 5EP
Postcode:	BD7 1HR

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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<p>The site is on a stretch of Commercial Street falls under the Pedestrianisation transformational Master Plan (Levelling Up Fund). The plans have been approved to create public realm, improve townscape and move towards a multi-use town space. Allowing another Restaurant/Takeway similar to the existing parade of shops will further add to the original complaint of the majority of people from Batley of the illegal double parking, vehicles mounting and parking on pavements. The pedestrianisation of this zone will negate this however, in the interim until the works is completed (3-5 years), it will add to the already dangerous driving and parking that will affect the safety of pedestrians on a daily basis.</p> <p>Furthermore, the whole premiss of the Batley Town Centre Blue Print was to attract a multi-use town space and not to attract or have another 'Chicken shop', this would go against the principles of the original LUF bid. The town centre is already flooded with similar takeaways and we most certainlt do NOT need another. The bid focuses on attracting more footfall to the Town Centre by having a variety of retail offerings that support day and night time experience for visitors. There is an emphasis on fostering a change in behaviour for visitors and move towards a multi-use Town Centre which offers more than a retail experience.</p> <p>As a longstanding citizen of Batley, I strongly object to granting the permisison to change of use to restaurant/takeaway and I know the majority of the good people of Batley will too when they learn of this. This would go against everything that Kim Leadbeater (MP) and the majority of the people from Batley campaigned for in winning the bid to transform the town centre. If the application is granted it would go aganist the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, the local Member of Parliament and the majority of the constituents of Batley who campaigned for, consulted over and have the bid approved. Approving this change of use will entirely undermine the hardwork, the bid process and violate the contractual commitments.</p>	