

Address: 15 Brow Wood Road Batley Wf170rj

About the application

Application number: 2025/62/90655/E	
What is the application for?:	Demolition of former pub and erection of 8 apartments with associated management
Address of the site or building:	The Priory, Whitechapel Road, Cleckheaton, BD19 6HR
Postcode:	HD8 8RX

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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Second attempt at objection. As a local historian and a person involved with working with groups to protect the history of this area I wish to strongly object to the loss of this historic building. The structure dates to at least the 18th century and, despite some later modifications, is a legible and good example of a local vernacular cottage building unique to this area. It should quite clearly be protected as a Non Designated Heritage Asset. Indeed had Kirklees acted previously this building could well have been included in a cleckheaton conservation area. As such we advance the case that this building should be given the same 'special attention' as if it was in such an area. Equally the building obviously has a strong relationship to the grade II listed chapel next door and currently contributes in a positive manner to the setting of the LB through it being a near contemporary structure. Not only this but the loss of this building and replacement with a larger scheme would itself cause harm to the immediate setting of the listed building. The council has a statutory duty to show special regard to the listed building and in practice this means the scales are heavily tipped through the great weight to be given in favour of protecting our heritage. The scheme is very poorly thought out and there is no justification for this scheme. Not only are the public benefits weak but the sheer waste involved in losing such a building goes against the councils desire to mitigate against climate change through sound resource management. The council has strong grounds to refuse this poorly thought out and poorly justified scheme and I sincerely hope that it refuses this application forthwith and protects this areas rich heritage for which people care about so fundamentally.	