About the application

Application number: 2025/90930	
What is the application for?:	Erection of micro brewery and associated works (within a Conservation Area)
Address of the site or building:	Bamforth Warehouse, Station Road, Holmfirth, HD9 1AB
Postcode:	HD9 2DQ

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Whilst we welcome the principle of developing this site, the current application has been poorly considered and fails to respond appropriately to the character and setting of the conservation area. The design is not in keeping with the traditional architectural aesthetic of the area.

The proposed fenestration is overly modern, with general proportions that are excessively glazed, creating a stark contrast with the surrounding heritage buildings. Additionally, the mono-pitch roof design is alien to the established architectural form of the locality. A more appropriate solution would be a traditional pitched roof with a visible gutter line, which would better reflect the context of the former postcard factory and integrate more sympathetically into the historic streetscape.

Beyond the architectural concerns, the proposal also fails to address environmental and infrastructural considerations. There is no mention of biodiversity net gain, and the development would likely result in a net loss of potential biodiversity on-site. This omission is particularly concerning given the growing importance of ecological resilience and sustainability in planning policy.

Furthermore, there is no traffic or highways analysis included within the application. This raises serious concerns regarding the impact of the development on local traffic flow, parking pressures, and pedestrian safety—particularly in an area that may already experience congestion.

We strongly urge that the application be reconsidered to ensure it meets the required standards for heritage sensitivity, environmental responsibility, and infrastructure impact.