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I am submitting this appeal under Grounds (a), (f), and (g) of Section 174(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, in relation to the enforcement notice issued by Kirklees Council regarding the rear and side extension at the above address.

Ground (a): Planning Permission Should Be Granted

The extension in question serves a crucial function: it provides secure, weatherproof storage for stock and equipment related to the day-to-day operation of the retail shop. Its use is ancillary to the established commercial use of the premises and supports efficient logistics without impinging on customer areas or public realm.

The design has been sensitively integrated with the existing structure, and although not identical in material finish, efforts have been made to use sympathetic tones and proportions. The development is not prominently visible from the public highway, and its scale is consistent with the needs of a small commercial operation.

I acknowledge the Council's reference to Policy LP24 of the Kirklees Local Plan and the House Extensions and Alterations SPD. However, I respectfully submit that commercial considerations and operational efficiency justify a modest level of design compromise. The extension does not harm the character of the broader street scene and has no measurable impact on residential amenity.

Ground (f): The Steps Required Are Excessive

The notice requires complete demolition of the extension including breaking up its foundation. This action would be disproportionate. I request that the Council consider retrospective permission with conditions—such as improving external finishes or partial reduction in size—to mitigate perceived visual harm rather than requiring total removal.

Ground (g): The Time for Compliance Is Too Short

Sixty days is insufficient to dismantle the structure, especially given the logistics of relocating stock and coordinating safe deconstruction in a commercial setting. I respectfully request an extended period of 120 days to allow for safe, phased action, if required.