

We live on Oxford road close to the proposed site and need to state this application is not objected to in principle, as can see it would generate employment, however it must be stated the application form has been submitted incorrectly. The question relating to opening hours would be relevant. Submission states no change. Historical use of a business is based on daytime operations, whilst no restrictions are applied to out of hours, a Padel court operation would be in use primarily peak in the evenings and most definitely Saturday and Sunday!

The main issue planners MUST consider is the increase in traffic volume on both Listing lane and defiantly Oxford rd.

Example is look at the change of use allowed to the Building opposite on Oxford rd! It was formerly an industrial unit, changed to a Gym fitness and now has double parking issues on the main A road, with HGV tankers trying to access the Chemical works, which is continuing with its development of the site. It's messy!

Without attention being paid to correct measures on traffic controls : which I would propose as:

1. Double yellow lines adding to Oxford rd as people will use this to access this development. (Understand access is with parking off listing lane however once approved people park close and will just get as close as possible!
2. Speed cameras should be considered adding to the section below the lower lane sections of the road as cars regularly travel in excess of the speed limit up the main road (I know I have lived here for 30 years)

In the evening at weekends particularly, cars accelerate at very high speed up the hill into Gomersal from six lane ends. The turning into and out of lower lane is tight and has limited visibility, you have to edge out carefully to avoid accidents, thus increasing traffic into the late evening will be just madness and an accident waiting to happen. I would say if you need to validate what I am saying as part of the application before approval put those traffic monitoring strips on listing lane and Oxford rd, to give you data. Pay a site visit to the area at peak evening 5-6.00pm and view the double parking outside the gym.

It is also worth stating noise could be an issue as I understand this is not a quite game to play so that could be an issue unless the correct sound insulation panels are fitted to the old roof which would not have had the same noise generated.

In summary I would advise carefully consider the application, approve only if the applicant is made to fund the measure that would mitigate issues I have raised, otherwise you could potentially be signing a death warrant to either Gomersal pedestrians or road using residents.