

Planning application 2025/62/93126/W

**Subject: Objection to Planning Application 2025/62/93126/W**  
**The Coach and Horses, Eastgate, Honley HD9 6PA**

**To: Mr J. Holmes, Planning Officer, Kirklees Council**

I am writing to formally object to planning application 2025/62/93126/W regarding proposed alterations and the conversion of **The Coach and Horses**, Eastgate, Honley.

Honley is a designated conservation area, recognised for its historical character and the number of buildings that hold significant architectural and cultural value. The Coach and Horses is one such building. Dating back to the early 1800s, it has long served as an important part of Honley's heritage, including as a venue for Luddites political and educational meetings.

The proposed conversion into apartments, along with the introduction of modern external features, would not respect the building's historic fabric, architectural style, or its contribution to the character of the conservation area.

This proposal fails to comply with key Kirklees Local Plan policies, including:

- **PLP24 (Design)** – which requires development to respect and enhance the character of the townscape.
- **PLP35 (Historic Environment)** – which states that proposals affecting heritage assets and conservation areas must preserve or enhance their significance and setting.
- **PLP21 (Highways and Access)** and **PLP22 (Parking)** may also be relevant if the scheme creates pressures inconsistent with the conservation area's character.

Given the harm the proposed development would cause to both the historic significance of the building and the wider conservation area, I believe the application should be refused.

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