

Address: 55, Hillhead Drive, Batley, Wf17 0ph

About the application

Application number: 2025/93140	
What is the application for?:	Installation of replacement shop front and roller shutter (within a Conservation
Address of the site or building:	Kami Healthcare Ltd, 8, Market Place, Birstall, Batley, WF17 9EL
Postcode:	WF17 9EL

User comments

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<p>I am writing to object against the above planning application for the old pharmacy in Birstall to be turned into yet another barbers.</p> <p>Firstly the destruction of the original shop front which was listed was absolutely disgusting. The Applicant took it upon himself to disregard not only the need for planning but destroyed the shop windows and frontage with a total disregard for public safety by chucking chairs at the windows to break them whilst people of the Birstall community were going about their daily business. It was only when questions were asked they stopped the work. I believe they knew all too well that they would need planning applications but as we've seen with other buildings around kirklees some people believe that they are above the law and if they put a property in such disrepair that their application will be passed. At the time of the damage councillors could not find who was doing the work and therefore could not find out who to prosecute and to demand that the shop frontage be returned to it's original state immediately. Now you have your answer as the applicant himself has admitted in his application that he and others were infact responsible for the damage. For this reason alone this ridiculous application should be refused to send a clear message out that doing whatever you like and breaking laws and guidelines is totally unacceptable and does have finacial consequences otherwise we will see a rise in this time of behaviour. It is a criminal offence under planning (Lusted Buildings and Conservation Areas) act 1990 to demolish, alter or extend a listed building in a way that effects its character without obtaining listed building consent.</p> <p>Secondly have you noted just how many barbers shops, hairdressers are already in Birstall? Too many is the answer. The turkish barbers shops that already exist are totally empty most days which makes me wonder how they keep going of are these money laundering businesses. This business is of no value to a small community like Birstall who could do with a wider variety of shops to benefit our elderly community.</p>	

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Lastly if this application was to get the go ahead i believe the shop frontage would not be inkeeping with the area and will look cheap and tacky against adjacent properties. The neighbouring property has a canopy that they have had to keep above their shop due to the listed status so will the applicant be made to have a traditional sign? We've already seen that the applicant can't follow the rules so i believe he would not follow any adherements and will do what he wants anyway. We need to preserve what us left in our community and he should be shown that his previous actions have consequences otherwise there is no deterrent.

This is a small village that the people of Birstall want to be proud of and where there are a variety of shops for everyone of any age that are inkeeping with our local history. We do not need shops that wouldn't look out of place if they were on a strip abroad.

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