

About the application

Application number: 2026/91738	
What is the application for?:	Change of use from retail to retail coffee shop and bar with alcohol
Address of the site or building:	6, Station Road, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield, HD8 9AU
Postcode:	HD8 8DL

User comments

Type of comment: An objection	
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I would like to object to this application due to concerns about the impact the proposed coffee shop/bar could have on people living nearby.

There are a lot of residential properties very close to the premises and my main concern is the outdoor area, particularly with alcohol being served and opening hours until 10pm Monday to Saturday.

Having people sitting and drinking outside until later in the evening could create quite a lot of additional noise for nearby residents. This isn't just music, but people talking, smoking outside, arriving and leaving and generally congregating around the premises. In the summer especially, when people are using their gardens and have windows open, I think this could have a real impact on those living around it.

Parking is also already a big issue on Station Road and the surrounding roads. There is very little available parking as it is, and the application doesn't provide any parking for customers or staff. A coffee shop/bar is likely to bring more cars, as well as deliveries, taxis and people being dropped off and picked up, which will only add to the existing problem and could cause further issues around the road and junction.

I also have concerns about deliveries and commercial waste, particularly bottles and recycling. The application doesn't appear to provide dedicated arrangements for waste storage and collection, and this could create additional noise and disturbance for nearby homes.

I have nothing against a new local business and understand that cafés and bars can be a positive addition to an area. My concern is whether this particular location is suitable for a bar serving alcohol with an outdoor area, especially when it is surrounded so closely by residential properties and is proposed to stay open until 10pm.

It also appears that work relating to the proposed use may have already started, so I would ask the Council to check that what is currently being done at the premises is in line with the application.

I would ask the Council to take the concerns around noise, outdoor drinking and smoking, parking, deliveries, waste and the impact on nearby residents into account when considering the application. If it is approved, I would hope that restrictions are placed on the outdoor area and its hours of use to help minimise the impact on people living nearby.