

# Comments for Planning Application CA/20/02636

## Application Summary

Application Number: CA/20/02636

Address: All Saints Church Church Street Whitstable Kent CT5 1PG

Proposal: Installation of gate to church car park.

Case Officer: Alice Wightman

## Customer Details

Name: Karen Daniels

Address: Not Available

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I object to the proposal for the following reasons:

The proposed gates are not in keeping with a conservation area.

Due to the proposed positioning of the gates, obstructions would be caused by cars going in and out whilst they stopped to open and close the gates. This includes putting pedestrians, people with disabilities and using mobility aids at risk as they traverse across this area if it is blocked by a car. It also increases the risk of accidents by other traffic due to the obstruction that would be created. It is regularly observed that cars travel through this stretch of road speedily which causes an additional risk of accidents.

Increased noise to neighbours and air pollution caused by idling engines whilst opening and closing gates.

I have lived here for 10 years and myself and 4 other neighbours in this vicinity use the car park only when absolutely necessary due to very limited parking in Church St. This is done with courtesy and never impinging on use of the car park by Church attendees. If unable to do this it would entail adding to risky parking and congestion in Church St, if you visit to inspect you will see why. I have rarely seen the car park full. A limited number of Monument pub customers on occasions use the car park, mainly late at night, as there is ample parking in The Monument even with the Marquee erected. These customers have not been observed to drive any differently from users of the church.

It is disappointing that The Church has not demonstrated compassion and understanding of its local community by not having the courtesy to notify immediate neighbours of these plans prior to submission.