

Comments for Planning Application 20/03090/OUT

Application Summary

Application Number: 20/03090/OUT

Address: Car Park East Of Blue Bell Mount Pleasant West Mickley Northumberland

Proposal: Outline application for construction of 3no. detached 4 bedroomed dwellings and re-configuring of existing carpark

Case Officer: Mr Callum Harvey

Customer Details

Name: Mr geoffrey yates

Address: Bat Cottage, Mount Pleasant, West Mickley Stocksfield, Northumberland NE43 7LP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Proposed development of Blue Bell Inn, Mount Pleasant, West Mickley, my objections are as follows.

The Applicant Daniel Jones has made a number of assumptions and inaccuracies in his planning application.

1) He implies there is a regular public bus service that stops each week in Mount Pleasant.

I have lived in the hamlet for 30 yrs in Bluebell Cottage and now Bat Cottage. In that time I have never seen or been aware of this service. There is no bus stop.

2) He states that somehow a reduction in car parking spaces would benefit the Bluebell Inn where the opposite would be the case, particularly in normal trading conditions.

Sunday lunches have always been very popular, along with special events, such as music nights, quiz nights, weddings, and funeral receptions. All the parking spaces have been required in the past. This has the benefit of keeping the highway clear for farm machinery and lorries that pass through regularly, some of which, like a combine harvester, are very awkward in shape .

The car park also acts as an overflow car park for residents of Mount Pleasant, where at the top of Stony Bank Way there is a considerable parking issue already.

3) I would draw planners' attention to what happened on the highway through Hedley on the Hill, when The Feathers Inn reduced its car parking places. The result was that cars were parked all

the way down the village, narrowing the highway to one lane, and creating a safety issue on residents entering and reversing into their driveways.

4) On the title deed for the Bluebell Pub ND64305, it clearly states there is a covenant on the land, saying the pub car park can only be used for the parking of cars and nothing else.

5) The applicant indicates there is wheelchair access and possible cycle access to the rear of The Blue Bell Inn.

This is not the case. To access the rear Inn door, you have to walk down some steps to a gulley area, before you reach the door.

Also there is no public access up the drive way and across the rear land to the inn. This is private land owned by the owners of Bat Cottage and Bluebell Cottage.

6) The applicant has not allowed on his site plan the correct number of car parking spaces required for 3, 4 bedroom house. I also ask planners to question the size of car parking spaces he has marked for the new proposed Blue Bell inn car park, as well as the access onto the highway.