

Comments for Planning Application 21/00345/FUL

Application Summary

Application Number: 21/00345/FUL

Address: Wheatsheaf Yard, The Wheatsheaf High Street Oxford OX1 4DF

Proposal: Conversion of first and second floors to create 9no. student rooms, shared kitchen and common area. Formation of 2no. front dormers in association with a loft conversion. Removal of 1no. window to front elevation. Alteration to 1no. window and 1no. door to front elevation. Insertion of 1no. door to front elevation. Provision of bin and cycle stores

Case Officer: Tobias Fett

Customer Details

Name: Mr David Holman

Address: 78 Abbey road Witney OX28 5LF

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Members of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Effect on character of area
- Effect on existing community facilities
- General dislike or support for proposal

Comment: I object most vehemently. The site has been a well used and much loved leisure venue for decades providing both opportunities for local musicians to perform and regular entertainment to music loving fans from the city and beyond. It is part of the cultural fabric of real Oxford and boasts a history of enabling rising musicians to develop and in some cases start a career in the music world.

We have already lost another city center venue of long standing, The Cellar/Dolly to the curse of student lodgings and this proposal really is a step too far.

There is a definite lack of entertainment in Oxford already unless you are fortunate enough to have access to the university clubs and bars and it would seem that the city council only have regard for that section of the community and ignore towns folk.

The Wheatsheaf is a well run venue that as bent over backwards to stay open, They agreed to earlier finishing times for to comply with the last round council nonsense so not to disturb students who now occupied other adjacent recently developed properties, those of a cynical nature might believe that that was just the first shot at getting this proposal through.

I have very little confidence that my objection will even be read let alone given any credence and that the proposal will be waved through without the slightest concern for the large number of people who are against the closure of this venue.