

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: Miss Hayley Edwards

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Comment Details

Commenter Type: Members of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Access
- Amount of development on site
- Effect on adjoining properties
- Effect on character of area

Comment: I completely and wholeheartedly object to this planning application, over my lifetime I have seen Oxford change in many ways and many not for the better of the people who frequent the city and live there. The city is becoming a tourist trap that only caters to them and students leaving nothing in terms of entertainment and activities for the people that live there. Leaving only large-scale retail outlets and chain restaurants in its wake. The destruction of yet another music venue (we have already lost the seller and the forum in recent years) within the city is leaving incredibly few possibilities for up-and-coming musicians to use the spaces and is killing Oxford's local music scene. By allowing this application to go through you're helping to destroy the local economy of Oxford in favour of large companies.

The sight of the proposal isn't fit to have large-scale foot traffic due to the narrowness of the alleyway, I struggle to believe that it would be safe to house an abundance of people upstairs without a significant bottleneck of them getting out onto the street and away from it should they need to in an emergency situation.

Whilst I understand that students make up a large proportion of the residents of Oxford, they also need things to do when they are not studying. Having been a student myself, you need places like the Wheatsheaf as a creative and emotional outlet whilst studying. I think it would be a terrible shame to have this destroyed.