

# 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 Max Lilley

Address: 35 Goddard Avenue Newland Avenue Hull HU5 2AN

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Members of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Effect on character of area
- General dislike or support for proposal
- Other - give details

Comment: Removing this venue from Oxford will take away a huge amount of footfall in the city in terms of music tourism passing through and young musicians playing in the area. It will dramatically reduce the amount of financial gain that area will see, not to mention the fact that The Wheatsheaf is a location for students to attend and buy into so replacing it with student property does not make an awful lot of sense to me.

The Wheatsheaf is one of the few iconic music spaces in Oxford that are slowly being taken away from the city's music scene. By replacing this with student property, you are dismantling Oxford's music scene and chance and continuing its successful musical legacy with the likes of Radiohead, Foals, Ride, and Glass Animals. The pandemic has already taken away many grassroots venues in the UK and in Oxford itself with The Cellar now gone too. If The Wheatsheaf goes there is less of a reason for musicians to pass through the city and a significantly reduced opportunity for young musicians to make a name for yourself. It makes no sense to replace this establishment with student property for only 11 people where there are plenty of other ideal locations for student property in the city.

Please consider the fact that there will be thousands affected by this development. Be charitable and listen to the community. The music industry has suffered enough over the last 12 months as it is. Don't take any more away from it.