

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 Adam Smith

Address: 12 greenfinch close Oxford Ox4 7yg

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Members of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Effect on adjoining properties
- Effect on character of area
- Effect on existing community facilities
- General dislike or support for proposal
- Noise and disturbance

Comment: The wheatsheaf is the heart and soul of local bands in Oxford, closing the upstairs area for student accommodation would be a massive problem for bands trying to get a following and to further their careers, and would cause massive problems for the customers in the wheatsheaf downstairs as the student accommodation already opposite has already caused problems for noise pollution already discouraging some people that frequent the pub from being themselves personally viewing some bands upstairs for either gigs or battle of the bands performances has been some of the best and most memorable experiences, even more so than seeing some already established and world renowned bands as this is people I already know and am friendly with and is more personal and important as its the start of the rest of their lives. As well as the pub downstairs being a metal/rock at heart establishment that makes use of a juke box would also cause problems for students living upstairs especially if they're trying to sleep or study. There would also be trouble as alot of regulars make use of the small smoking area and in turn could cause problems for the upstairs residents.

Converting the upstairs would be a massive inconvenience for both customers and residents. Also no other pubs would accommodate the music interests of the regulars that have been using the pub for years, even decades. The people that regular the wheatsheaf are like a huge family and can be loud witch would also be a problem for anyone trying to live upstairs.

I hope you look at the seriousness of the problems that this could cause for the pub in the long run and decide to leave the upstairs as a live band stage.