

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 Will Hathaway

Address: 9 Glebe cottages South stoke Rg8 0ja

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Members of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

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

Comment: It's utterly ridiculous you would even think of removing the last venue in the city centre! Why does it need to be student flats? Students can live anywhere, why does it have to be right in the city centre and destroy the only good thing your city has going for it? Absolutely NOBODY is thinking "you know, I think Oxford could do with more city centre student flats" [REDACTED] They're thinking "why are all these greedy money grabbing developers shutting down every music venue and breaking people's happiness just to make a little extra money" it's greedy, selfish and detrimental to the local society. As a rich developer/investor, it's your job not to destroy the local community but to INVEST or DEVELOP in the local scene, not rip it apart and turn it into houses for people from far away to inhabit, that's one of the worst parts, if it was for local houses for local people, that might make more sense, but it's not, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] apparently you need to shut down the people's morale too, as if we needed more of that at a time like this. Half of what has got me through this year is being excited to go back to the Wheatsheaf and play with my band and watch everyone else perform, and you're just going to take that away without a second thought because you feel like it. Go build some houses elsewhere, they've already started getting rid of the green belt round Oxford so go convert some of those into flats, leave everyone alone and let them have something to look forward to, because after the Wheatsheaf goes, Oxford has nothing, it's the only venue that keeps any bands

here and has a good atmosphere. I honestly cannot believe someone would think it's a good idea to go through with this, even if you do make a little extra on rent money, you'll lose a whole culture of people within Oxford and its reputation will plummet, it's already one of the most boring cities in the UK and you're only driving that point home. Like I say, can't you just go be rich somewhere else? you can be rich and build student flats, literally, anywhere in the world but there's only one Oxford Wheatsheaf and it's the burning heart of the city. It's just out right sad really, as much as I get wound up all you are doing is making half a city upset for no reason, why would you do that?

Why do you feel the need to destroy a venue loved by half the city when there's plenty of empty buildings and spaces that are waiting to be developed? Why won't you listen to us?