CyprusVilla

Silver Street

Chalford Hill

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This is an application for Change of Use of an empty business shop to a domestic property with the plan to be amalgamate it with our attached domestic property, known as Cyprus Villa

The Background and Justification

The said property is attached to our house Cyprus Villa and it shares a common access between the properties. This goes back to the situation when the two properties were under one ownership.

The said property was historically a village shop for over 100 years, called Homefittere until the shop owner retired in 1982 when we bought the building and kept the shop running til 1989 then rented it as butchers until 2002 called Chalford Vale Meats.

It has been empty since 2002 with progressive interior repairs but is not fit for accommodation but we see it as a logical move to convert it to domestic usage and for general storage. We are currently employing a solicitor to change the deeds to a common title for both properties

*We have lived in the village for 51 years and have seen many businesses and shops close within the area including, the post office, a pub, a delicatessen, a wool shop, three grocers, Homefittere (ours), an electrical shop, two butchers and a general store and most recently the village fish and chip shop.* All judged to be not financially viable.

Since final closure in 2002 there have not been any approaches for use as a retail unit

and supported by no interest following exposure to by a letting agent Stroud back in 2002/2003.

Yours Faithfully L.P. Banstead