

RE: Coles Corner 322 Abbeydale Road S7 1F
Application for change of use Ref: 21/02633/FUL

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT

Dear Sir/Madam

18 months ago, the area where Frederick Road meets Abbeydale Road was a complete eyesore. On one side, a privately owned property at No 2 Frederick Road had been allowed to fall into complete disrepair over many years, almost to the point of dereliction. The area along the side of 322 Abbeydale Road was used for fly tipping and general rubbish dumping. The walls were covered in disgusting graffiti and there was a lot of drug use. I would often see used needles just left on the ground. If I had friends or family visiting, I would ask them to come via Southcroft Gardens so they wouldn't see that end of Frederick Road.

In the midst of the pandemic, when many businesses were going under, the owner of Coles Corner, Nicole Jewitt, managed to create a wonderful outdoor café space and shop. This was not only aesthetically pleasing to the eye but transformational to Frederick Road. Along with this, the Council finally took action and forced the owner of 2 Frederick Road to repair his property. The benefits to all residents here are incalculable. Coles Corner is also totally representative of the general upscaling which is making the Abbeydale Road one of the most eclectic and exciting places to visit in Sheffield.

This is not just about 'Change of Use', It's about transformation!

I submit this statement of support of the planning application on behalf of all residents of Frederick Road and the wider community in the full knowledge that, if they were to be canvassed, there would broad support.

Kind regards

