

PLANNING STATEMENT

PROPOSED USE OF FORMER DOMESTIC GARAGE AS A BEAUTY SALON BYSHELL, MAIN ROAD, CRIMPLESHAM PE33 9DX

The applicant has operated the business known as Beauty Profile for many years from premises in Paradise Road, Downham Market. Unfortunately, the enforced closures owing to the Covid 19 pandemic have had a devastating effect on the business, which has struggled to survive. The Downham Market premises have proved too large a financial burden on the much-reduced business and, therefore, the applicant is disposing of those premises and hopes to re-locate the business to her home.

A former domestic garage at the front of the dwelling will be used. The business is very low-key in nature with only two people working in two treatment rooms, therefore only a maximum of two visitors at a time. There is ample parking and turning area in the front courtyard for staff and clients, with further private parking available beyond the front yard.

The beauty treatment business constitutes a 'Sui Generis' planning use class and cannot, therefore, be used for anything else. The applicant will be happy to accept a planning condition which ties the business use to the occupation of the dwelling.

The "other" use class on the 1app application form relating to opening hours does not work, therefore the proposed opening hours are stated here – Monday to Friday 09.00 – 18.00, Saturday 09.00 – 15.00. No opening on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

It is hoped that the Planning Authority will grant this change of use and give the applicant the opportunity to salvage her business from the effects of the pandemic.