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To: "Anna Tidey" <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/24/2497

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11/11/2024 8:09 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Handcross Newsagents High Street Handcross Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6BJ
Proposal:	Proposed replacement of conservatory with extension of living accommodation over two floors, internal alterations and extension of commercial premises at ground floor.
Case Officer:	Anna Tidey

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Customer Details

Address:	3 Buckingham Gate Handcross
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	To whom it may concern I write in support of the application DM/24/2497. I write my support with the same format as some of the objections to demonstrate a balanced, unbiased view. Inaccuracies in the Application Details

The planning application states that there are no trees within 15 meters of the property. The documents submitted state the applicants have measured with the helping of their build team to ensure that there are no trees that impacted by the 15m rule of the new extension. I make the assumption that this will be checked by the relevant building and planning agents. Given the credibility of the applicants I have no reason they would intentionally give incorrect information.

Traffic and Safety Concerns

Handcross High Street has a heavy traffic flow and limited parking, this application will not change this and it is my opinion that no further hazards or safety concerns will come from the development being accepted. The extension and its proposed offering is not comparable to a supermarket and the expectation set out in the objections that people will travel far and wide to access this shop therefore creating wider traffic issues and/or safety issues is not a quantifiable assumption. This has not been seen (as a residence who travels through the village often) with the completion of extensions to other business properties.

Impact on events

These events serve the village at a low number throughout the year - London to Brighton cycle and classic car event operate 2x a year and as above in the section 'traffic and safety concerns' the proposed planning application will have no tangible impact on these events and/or the safety for those attending.

Aesthetic and Heritage Considerations

The aesthetic concerns have clearly been considered through the plans, the applicants are proposing a modest extension at the rear of the property, whilst maintaining the original front facing aesthetic.

Drainage and Infrastructure Strain

The drainage issues experienced within Handcross village will not be compounded by this modest planning application. It is however exacerbated by the development of new homes in the village - 4 developments such as Hoadlands Grange and Woodlands edge. I, alongside others who are objecting to the application, purchased properties in these new developments which by the nature of their usage i.e. family homes do have greater water and electricity usage.

Community impact

The objections stated have not given a balanced view on the

community impact the extension of this local shop and proposed living space will have. The applicants often support the local community including the elderly residents and those with less mobility. These applicants show great community spirit and care very much for local residents and for providing a continuous outstanding service, giving out there personal numbers in case of an emergency requirement for items such as milk for children is one of the most recent demonstrations of this. Our councils, across all departments, have the duty to support local business owners especially those who have contributed to the local for many years and continue to do so.

Whilst safety and integrity of our village is of the utmost importance, I hope you will support the applicants as they seek to continue to build on their local service of many years.

Yours sincerely
C & N Nandlall

Kind regards