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To: planninginfo
Subject: Application no. DM/25/2612 Franklands Village Shop

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Dear Sirs,

Ref: Application no. DM/25/2612 Franklands Village Shop

I am writing in relation to the retrospective planning application submitted by the village shop concerning the installation of cooling units and associated external wiring on the side wall of the building, which were installed approximately 18 months ago. I also note that additional equipment was fitted last week, the purpose of which is unclear.

I wish to formally object to this application.

The cooling units generate a noticeable vibration and noise which can be heard from my front bedroom, even through double glazing. This already presents a significant disturbance, particularly during warmer months when windows would normally be opened for ventilation. As temperatures continue to rise year on year, it is reasonable to expect that use of the coolers will increase, further exacerbating the problem.

I am also concerned that these units have been sited with no apparent attempt to mitigate noise or vibration. I can only imagine how disruptive this must be for the neighbouring property immediately adjacent to the installation.

In addition, the visual impact of both the units is extremely poor. We have watched what could be a beautiful, conserved building deteriorate substantially over time. My family and I have lived in our home for over 40 years and take great pride in our surroundings. It is therefore deeply disappointing that the shop leaseholder appears not to share the same sense of community responsibility or respect for the character of the area.

While other neighbours may submit their own representations, I can confirm that the general consensus is that the installation is unsightly and wholly inappropriate for this location.

I respectfully ask that these issues—particularly noise disturbance, vibration, and harm to the visual amenity of the building and surrounding area—are given serious consideration when determining this application.

Yours faithfully,

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