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Sent: 31 December 2024 12:50
To: planninginfo
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/24/2957

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 31/12/2024 12:50 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Prince Albert Copthorne Bank Copthorne Crawley West Sussex RH10 3QX
Proposal:	Sever existing land to retain existing public house use and area of pub garden and erect a convenience store and 4 no. apartments with associated works, including alterations to the existing vehicular access and car park.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address:	6 copthorne bank copthorne crawley
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Business or other organisation
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	We respectfully request the reconsideration and halting of the development of a large convenience store in Copthorne. As the owners of the Copthorne Post Office and Copthorne Kwik Mart, this store has been serving the community for over 60 years, and three months ago we have just invested from previous owners for over half a million pounds into maintaining and improving the services. Despite only operating for three months, we have not yet got back this investment as it will take years. All of the investment has been loaned and the development of this project will lead us facing financial issues and will result in us being bankrupt. By the end, it will affect our personal and family life.

A large-scale convenience store nearby (2m) would directly threaten our ability to continue operating, potentially forcing the closure of both the post office and shop.

Furthermore, Copthorne already benefits from three existing shops, and the proposed new convenience store would result in the collapse of the local retail market.

In addition, as a resident of Copthorne for over 25 years, and having invested in this business locally as a family, the proposed development would have a financial impact on us, leading our livelihood to be deeply affected.

In light of these concerns, we urge you to reconsider the plans for the development of the large convenience store and support the continued success of the local businesses that has been servicing copthorne continuously.

I hope the Mid Sussex council will take the right decision on this project.
Thank you for your time and consideration.

Your Sincerely,

Owner of Copthorne Kwik Mart and Post Office

[Redacted Signature]

Kind regards