

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 03/11/2025 3:56 PM from Mr Andrew Message.

Application Summary

Address: Gardeners Arms West Street Sompting West Sussex BN15 0AR

Proposal: Change of use from Public House with flat over into full residential dwelling including relevant internal and external changes and loft conversion with dormer, half-gable end and roof windows.

Case Officer: Peter Barnett

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Andrew Message

Email:

Address: Trelawneys Cottage West Street Sompting West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment: - Design

Comments: Having lived opposite the Gardeners Arms for 12 years I have witnessed the slow decline of a once thriving well run establishment. The past 4 years have seen at least 5 different landlords all failing to make a profit indeed no accounts have ever been submitted for inspection.
The Lease and Freehold has been available for this time with this being the only substantive offer.
The interior and exterior of The Gardeners has reached a level of disrepair over the past decade that it would now require Hundreds of Thousands of pounds spending on it to bring it up to a reasonable Hospitality level. Something which in this economic climate will never happen.
Converting to a Family House as planned is an eminently sensible suggestion which in my opinion will greatly enhance West Street.
