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Hi Peter,

I would object to the application as it stands and I would request that permission for A4 use is refused. A4 use during the hours requested is inconsistent with other business in the square and would be detrimental to the amenity of the neighbouring residents.

There are residents to the West and South of the premises that are likely to be affected by noise from customers smoking and from entering and leaving the premises late at night. The Square forms a canyon and loud voices would reverberate around the area at night, when most of the other business is closed.

As I understand, the café occupies an area that was once a store room for the shoe shop that existed below. There are single glazed windows on the South and West facades of the café which are opened for ventilation and thermal comfort during the hot summer months, there is no air conditioning in the premises. Access to the premises is up external concrete steps, not ideal if customers have been drinking. This is not a purpose built development that can be designed to mitigate noise from these sources.

I would have no objections to the premises being open on Sundays and Bank Holidays for A3 and A5 use. However, I would request the following hours. 8am to 11pm Monday to Saturday, with all food orders ending at 10pm to ensure the premises is vacated by 11pm. 8am to 9pm Sundays and Bank Holidays, with all food orders ending at 8pm to ensure the premises is vacated by 9pm.

These hours would be more a kin to the other restaurant in the square and would be in keeping for the locality.

I would also ask the following condition be placed on any new permission.

The bar shall only be open to customers seated having a meal or customers waiting to be seated for a meal.

Kind Regards

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