

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Consultees Addr:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2015/4456/P	P SADEGHIAN	27 Shepherd House	18/08/2015 13:22:40	OBJ	<p>To the Council</p> <p>I wish to file an OBJECTION to 2015/4456/P .</p> <p>This is a locally listed Victorian Public House which had continued to serve the community until its closure last year. So much is it valued and feeling behind it strong that a committee was formed in response to its closure and the Admiral Mann holds ACV status. Splitting the unit does not enhance the building's history, and seriously threatens a viable future.</p> <p>The Admiral Mann deserves its status within the community. With a genuinely mixed client base it acted as a meeting place for local sports groups, a venue for locally held events in conjunction with other businesses on Brecknock Road, held quiz nights, wedding and funeral parties, raised money for a variety of charities, and for some was the only social space they felt comfortable enough in to enter by themselves and receive a warm welcome and chance to connect with others.</p> <p>The plans may initially look appealing compared to the previous WITHDRAWN application (2015/0906/P) which showed a pub conversion with emphasis being on the latter word of the phrase. However, I urge the Council to question the intentions and sincerity of Mr. Moore. This is a developer that needlessly closed the pub immediately after purchase from McMullens. To add insult to injury he then opened "BARGAINS R US"; a confusing attempt at running a business in the former pub in which it wasn't clear what the shop sold, or when its opening hours were. Thankfully the Council saw through this Trojan Horse and REFUSED Moore's application for Certificate of Lawfulness. It is worth noting that this application along with the previous pub conversion plans happened simultaneously. A conflicting vision from someone who apparently is serious about maintaining a pub within his plans.</p> <p>Pubs are known to be more viable and sustainable when preserved as a whole. The splitting of property unit can cause complicated problems in the future. In the meantime if it were to open according to these current plans it would pose problems of noise to residents living above. This is not something that is avoidable due to the nature and function of a public house.</p> <p>I am concerned that Mr. Moore has taken inspiration for his current tact from recent cases nearby and that this consciously appeasing plan is yet another (well-constructed) Trojan Horse. I understand that The Dartmouth Arms is currently being converted and the re-opening of the pub is now overdue whilst its ACV status is being challenged.</p> <p>In summary I recommend the Council REFUSE consent to this application in the interest of the long term sustainability of this valuable community pub.</p>
2015/4456/P	Christopher	Bennett Court	18/08/2015 17:05:19	COMMNT	I really don't want this to happen.