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I am sure that the councillors know just as well as the customers of the Sir Richard Steele pub that the current owners appear to have little concern for the well being of the local community. It seems that they are interested only in obtaining ANY form of planning permission from the Council that would enable them to sell the premises to developers for a profit of several million pounds.

Previous applications from them have been rejected partially on the grounds that the first floor is extensively used for local community activities - which indeed it was for many

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decades until very recently. But all such activity has now been stopped by the management, presumably in the hope that this will help their case in the current application.

The first floor was a valuable asset for the community for regular entertainment events such as the Comedy Club, wedding and funeral receptions and society dinners etc. There are very few premises in the area capable of holding such events. Although I have not seen the plans, I am sure that the proposed new community room is a token gesture that will be woefully inadequate in size for holding such events.

The bottom line is that any proposal to turn the rest of the premises into flats or an hotel would, if granted, almost certainly destroy this most famous and well loved public house (as was the case with the nearby Haverstock Arms). If the Council could make it clear to the current owners that no permission for partial change of use will be granted in the future then I feel sure that the pub would soon be sold to someone who wishes to develop its former full potential as a pub and a valuable community asset.

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