

Owner of Old Blacksmiths, Blacksmiths Cottage and Anvil Cottage
 Main Street, High Hawsker, Whitby, N.Yorks YO22 4LH
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Planning Application – NYM/2117/0859/FL Construction of Building To Accommodate 9 Self Contained Letting Bedrooms and Breakfast Units – Hare and Hounds Public House- Hawsker

I write to object to the above application and put forward my reasons.

1. The proposed development of 9 bed and breakfast units and the area of land it will cover is totally out of character and overdevelopment of the area it will cover. This development could be described as a small "Travel Lodge", which in the middle of a very small village is totally out of place! Previous applications have been made by this applicant of a similar scale and on each occasion your Planning Committee have refused the applications. The objections are still the same as before.

2. Parking.

No provision has been made on the plans for off street parking for these units. The existing car park, which is small, is full to capacity throughout the season and cannot cope with the amount of vehicles using it at present, so the "overflow" tends to park on the main street in the village or nearby Beechfield or Prospect Field, where the roads in both areas are narrow.

As the cottages on the main street have no drives or garages the owners of these already park on the main street.

The Hare and Hounds has built up over the years an excellent reputation not only for food but a venue for family occasions- birthdays, engagements, weddings, funeral wakes to name a few, when the parking of cars becomes a huge problem on the main street. Also, as this is a prime route for local transport between Middlesborough, Whitby and Scarborough and uses double decker buses, every half an hour (during the season) this becomes a major problem for bus drivers to manoeuvre round vehicles, who have to keep to a schedule. This too would apply even more to emergency vehicles, where speedy and safe access is paramount.

Exiting the Hare and Hounds car park isn't easy as the visibility to see both ways for traffic is not good, but would pose a serious safety problem if more vehicles are parked on the main street. I would think Highways would have an objection to this.

3. Alteration of present facilities

At present the location of the quilt pitch is in an ideal area of the pub grounds, where games can be played in complete safety regarding any public on the surrounding land. If it was reallocated to the area suggested- this is too close to the parking area for obvious safety reasons.

Also, where the proposed development is- at the moment there are picnic benches, which are used by families, dog owners, smokers, or when the pub is really busy as an overflow for meals.

There doesn't appear to be anywhere left to put these, so this category of the public cannot be catered for.

I would be grateful if the Planning Committee would seriously consider the above comments, when considering this application.

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