

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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DETAILS OF THE CASE

Case Reference: **APP/H6955/A/13/2207592**

Address of site 173 Chester Road
Wrexham
Clwyd

Postcode

LL12 8DW

Grid Reference: Easting

3337361

Northing

3522374

SENDER DETAILS

Name

Mr H A Lloyd

Acting On Behalf Of

N/A

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case? Interested Party / Person

What kind of representation are you making? Interested Party/Person Correspondence

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Please provide your representation below.

Dear Sir

I appreciate that this submission may be out of time, but I hope you will take it into consideration since there was some confusion on both my part as to the submission deadline, and the LPA as to the case number. I am registered blind and I therefore have to have everything read out to me and this coupled with the fact that notice was addressed to my son G. Lloyd and not me H.A. Lloyd has caused the delay.

I spoke against the application at the initial hearing and my objections expressed there still remain. As a former clerk of neighbouring Acton Community Council, involved with the chaotic parking situation, I have expressed my concern to the appropriate authorities over a number of years. The police have told me that someone has to be killed before this area is identified as an accident blackspot. I was instrumental in having the access road in front of the shops widened to allow the easier access of vehicles and also to have a one way system implemented.

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE (Continued)

One of the troubles is that drivers in cars wanting to use the shops from the main road are looking for a parking space with the obvious danger to other road users and even pedestrians. This is the main road north out of Wrexham and handles an increasing volume of traffic throughout the day. As I pointed out at the initial hearing it has two bus stops, a pedestrian crossing, two road junctions and a footway which pedestrians believe is a footpath but is really to keep the traffic from a long established wall. The locality is also home to a bowling green, a methodist chapel, a village hall, a chiropractic clinic, a hair salon and kitchen showroom.

I feel the appellant is being somewhat disingenuous when they state that the change of use from A1 to A2 for half of this unit would not result in increased traffic. It seems self-evident to me that to introduce a second business unit with its own individual parking demands would inevitably result in an increase in parking problems. This, together with the longer opening hours and the nature of a customer's visit to a bookmakers would result in an unbearable increase in traffic. A betting shop with, inevitably, gaming machines, will attract clients who will take up parking spaces which are really for the use of convenience shoppers who would normally park for five or ten minutes but rarely longer.

At peak times, particularly Saturdays, on a big race day and with a bowls match on the adjacent bowling green, parking problems at the present time cause cars to be parked in the adjacent streets, to the annoyance of local residents. One Saturday, when I went with the Wrexham Assembly Member, Ms Lesley Griffiths, to view the situation, we had to park 300 yards from the parade.