

Dear Ms Wells/Planning Services,

I am in receipt of your letter dated 26th February 2024 regarding the above planning proposal at The Swan Public House, Jessie Road, PO9 3TH and the revision made in respect of it.

I, and my husband, still wish to object to the erection of 3 x two-bed dwellings on the land adjacent to the pub. We have looked at the relevant paperwork online and the 'survey' that was carried out at various times for the current parking situation. We do not feel that truly reflects what it's like living in Jessie Road. We experience a lack of parking as it stands, in particular with the amount of drop kerbs in place and some of the available space, does not even fit a car in properly and they then overhang someone's drop kerb making it difficult for them to turn in and out of their property! We experience this a lot [REDACTED] with people visiting also parking in front of their visiting property making it hard to pass or reverse in and out of your drive. We also have staff from Barncroft school who park in our road. Friday afternoon's are particularly busy at The Swan with workers 'kicking out' early and going for a few drinks. There are a lot of work vans in there on a Friday. We know of a few people in Jessie Road, who have difficulty finding a parking space. Most properties these days have a minimum of two cars per household. Weekends are busy with people visiting and looking for parking.

When The Swan holds parties, wakes and craft fairs, this increases the amount of cars already, to the point that those attending the pub are then searching for places on the road. The current parking is not enough in these instances and impacts those residing in Jessie Road and the surrounding roads (Ernest Road and St. Michaels Road), so reducing the available parking by building these 3 houses, we feel, will impact significantly. If each of those houses already starts with two cars, where do THEIR visitors then park?

Aside from that those seeking planning permission in the first place did NOT send notification to ALL houses in Jessie Road, nor the surrounding roads, so we were unaware of the application, it was only because a neighbour said they'd had a letter! Very sneaky not giving residents full opportunity, or enough time, to oppose it if they wish. It will affect many houses, not just the ones to the side or opposite!! Building these houses will impact us for some time significantly, with noise and where are all the work vehicles going to go? We do not want to be listening to this level of noise when we are in our homes, nor having to fight to get in or out of our properties because of the quantity of work vehicles, cranes etc. I work a split shift and want to come home and sit in peace before going back to work.

Reducing the pub parking to allow these additions will NOT be enough for the number of people and vehicles we see attending the pub, especially when there are events on, it's not adequate as it is. Residents should not have to fight to be able to park in their own road to go home and shouldn't have to park a street or two away either for that reason! Jessie Road is VERY busy, used as a through road, workers park here, drop kerbs do not actually leave a lot of on-road parking, road markings are atrocious (especially those as you exit Ernest Road/St. Michaels Road onto Jessie Road. Amazed there hasn't been more accidents, especially from Ernest Road, we've had some near misses because the road markings are not there anymore and people seem to think it's a through road and their right of way!! We've lived here for a very long time and do not see that these houses will be beneficial to our road and the adjacent roads, we feel it will have a more negative impact.

So, we absolutely oppose the building of these 3 houses and we wish that to be made known to the planning committee.

Yours sincerely,

