

Comments for Planning Application 161316/DPP

Application Summary

Application Number: 161316/DPP

Address: 13 Whitehall Road AB25 2PP

Proposal: Change of use from class 4 (office) to class 1 (retail)

Case Officer: Sepideh Hajisoltani

Customer Details

Name: Mr Graeme Fleming

Address: 5 Desswood Place Aberdeen

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: The application is to convert office space into a Retail Unit selling 'high end' gifts. There are a number of reasons I object to this change. Principally, this is a residential area where parking is at a premium. There are already parking issues created as a result of the Treehouse Cafe and Desswood Stores where cars often park on double yellow lines and often without paying for tickets. As residents, paying for our parking having spaces taken up and worse illegally parked cars taking up spaces which are close to our residence is commonplace and very annoying. This crossroads is the main thoroughfare for pupils on their way to the Grammar School and children going to the Bruce Nursery. Illegally parked cars make this crossing very much more dangerous reducing visibility, especially in the winter months. There seem to be very few wardens monitoring this area which is understandable given it's not going to be a priority. There is already a gift shop as one of the businesses in along with the Treehouse cafe, does it make sense to put a business doing similar trade in such close proximity? Rosemount has a number of retail units for let and is surely in need of more businesses to keep it buoyant rather than convert this one. There will be an increased security risk with a business like this being more prone to break ins a worry for residents. Bringing more people/traffic to a relatively quiet residential area is not what the residents there want. We are happy to support the businesses in Rosemount where there is an advantage to increasing footfall and the diversity of shops on offer. I hope you will consider these points when giving planning consent or not.