

Comments for Planning Application 160883

Application Summary

Application Number: 160883

Address: 12 St Swithin Street Aberdeen Aberdeen City AB10

Proposal: Change of use from pavement to outdoor seating area and erection of 1.5m high screen

Case Officer: Alex Ferguson

Customer Details

Name: Dr Dorothy Lynch

Address: 17 St Swithin St Aberdeen

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I wish to object for several reasons.

This is a busy corner with children walking to and from school crossing the road. Access and visibility would be reduced. There is increased chance of parking on the double lines increasing the hazard as is already witnessed at the corner occupied by Coppa with illegal parking on Hartington Rd St Swithin Street and Devonshire road.

It will be very difficult to park in the street if those sitting at the cafe park their cars. Parking is free after 8pm and at the weekends. The street is already very busy and at the weekend it can be difficult to park outside one's own house which is especially difficult for those who live in the houses with young children or heavy shopping to carry. Not everyone is young and fit and we already have to pay for on street parking so we should be able to park reasonably close to our own front doors.

This is a very pleasant residential area with typical granite dwellings. It is a conservation area with strict rules regarding any changes to houses /types of windows/ satellite dishes on frontages. The shop front is already out of character for the area. Was this ever given planning permission? A cafe operating at night till 10pm will disturb the quiet of the street after the traffic has subsided and those who have been sitting outside till 10pm may not go straight home but may hang around in groups talking and shouting. There will be increased litter and will attract more seagulls and their mess.

During the day there will be buggies and prams of those sitting in the outdoor area spilling out onto the street also causing obstruction.

This is a residential not a commercial area.

We do not need any more coffee shops. Coppa coffee is rarely full. I am also concerned that people will buy wine from the shop and sit outside with their bottles although it may not be licenced. Who will police this?

No other part of the West End has as many coffee shops and eating outlets.

A few seats outside in the summer similar to J G Ross is acceptable but any more and for such a prolonged length of time is not.

The front windows on St Swithin Street are all quite low and it is easy to look in from the street causing a loss of privacy.

The occupants of no 14 will be badly affected and I feel that this is wholly unacceptable. They will also be directly affected by the noise and may lose the use of their front room as a consequence?

There do not appear to be any definite plans to look at online. It appears to be opportunistic seeing what the applicant can get away with.