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Comment for Planning Application 160557

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Comment : I strongly object to the proposed development across the road from my house.

The property owner previously applied for permission to convert the front garden into off-street parking - which was denied.

As such it seems to me that this application is purely to make a return on the work and cost incurred so far, rather than address a real shortfall of retail space and a requirement for more flats in this area.

Other grounds for objection regarding this application include:

- 1) Development work will cause congestion for the duration of the development
- 2) There is no parking capacity for the additional cars this development would inevitably attract
- 3) If developed there would be additional congestion - especially with an additional retail unit
- 4) There is already a spare retail unit further up Holburn Street
- 5) Previously complaints have been made to the Police regarding the amount of traffic and its speed at that point of Holburn Street (this includes large articulated delivery lorries) - the Police regarded the current parking as a measure to slow traffic but keep it moving
- 6) Buses often find it difficult to pass each other on the road between Iceland and Bloomfield Road
- 7) The development will block light into our side of the road - our house purchased 10 years ago
- 8) There will be a loss of privacy for houses on the other side of the road
- 9) The visual aspect to that part of Holburn Street will be adversely affected (I suspect the owner will not be living there?)

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