

Comments for Planning Application 170175/DPP

Application Summary

Application Number: 170175/DPP

Address: 12 St Swithin Street Aberdeen AB10 6XD

Proposal: Erection of enclosure to external seating area of cafe

Case Officer: Linda Speers

Customer Details

Name: Mr Steven Rose

Address: 11 St Swithin Street Aberdeen

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: For the attention of : Linda Speers

As the residence owner directly across from this property I would like to register my objection to this proposal.

I would echo the concerns of the Aberdeen Civic Society and the other residents of St Swithin Street , vis.:

"The corner treatment of retail premises with flats above and a wide footpath in front of the shops is very characteristic of the west end of Aberdeen. We do not think that it is right to close these areas in with a relatively high fence"

"the fence becomes a permanent feature which diminishes the generous spatial quality of the streetscape".

In addition, I would add :

As before, the applicant has disregarded the impact on local residents, and has not notified all affected parties;

The fad for outdoor cafes has already been met, and indeed exceeded, on St Swithin Street. This has meant that to attract custom, the existing cafes are moving downmarket and competing on price/providing take-aways, with the attendant litter/vermin issues;

St Swithin Street has now become a destination for outsiders to visit, solely for café visits.

Inevitably these arrive by car and place an additional burden on local parking facilities;

I do not recall receiving notification that the existing outdoor seating for the Hub Café has been approved. Given the number of objections the last application received, and the lack of feedback thereto, it would seem that the residents opinion has no weight in this matter, a most disappointing state of affairs.

regards

Steven Rose