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Dear members

I am very disappointed with the officer's recommendation to the committee to grant planning permission for application P19/S2005/FUL.

It feels that the views of the local community and the concerns of local residents have been quickly dismissed and have been cast aside in a few sentences of the report. The theme of the report in response to resident's concerns is one of "let the residents take any issues to the another authority". I politely request that our Ward representatives (copied on this email) draw the committee's attention to the level of response this application has generated and the serious concerns the residents have raised.

The extension will have an adverse impact on the highly residential area in which it is located. It is not just the extension but the knock-on consequences of a larger footprint that will mean that the outside space also encroaches onto neighbouring properties. The depth of the single storey extension, together with the depth of the outside paved seating area will be overbearing on the outside spaces of neighbouring properties. These concerns have been highlighted in the previous comments I have submitted during the application process.

A noise assessment appears to have been completed but it is not clear if this was done remotely or onsite to properly assess the impact and locality. The noise management methods are, put politely, laughable. Closing windows and having a member of staff walk the perimeter of the property to assess the noise levels, comical.

I disagree with the Highway Authority's view that there will be sufficient parking provisions. I cannot understand how there will be sufficient parking for the increase in capacity at the venue and can only conclude that the overspill of parking will further congestion Papist Way which is already used by Cholsey railway station customers to avoid paying for parking. This will make a busy road even more dangerous. It appears from the report that this is not a concern of the committee and is again the responsibility of another public body.

I employ the committee to review the many letters and comments of residents that you represent before making their decision. Please also consider a site visit whereby I am sure you will see the validity of the concerns raised. Should the committee decide to grant approval as per the recommendation can I please ask you to consider any further conditions of approval to address the very real concerns and issues raised by residents.

I thank the committee for providing meeting details to enable the public to participate in proceeding whilst we are in such unprecedented times.

Yours faithfully,

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