

STATEMENT A17 – James Russell

Re: PLANNING APPLICATION 20/02864/F WINDMILL PUB

Dear Sir/Madam,

This constitutes my written statement on the above planning application, submitted prior to the planning meeting on 24 Nov 21, which I will be attending.

Planning permission should not be permitted for the change of use from pub to residential accommodation for the property in the planning application. The reasons for this are simple:

1. There is only other pub within a reasonable (under 800m) walk from all addresses in Windmill Hill, not 12 or whatever ludicrous number the Planning Officer suggested.
2. The pub is financially viable, as careful examination of financial statements provided by the owner will make clear. The poor financial condition of the business was entirely down to decisions made by the owner, eg to stop selling food.

Thanks,

James Russell