22/01477/PLDC | Application for a lawful development certificate for proposed alcohol delivery business. | 15A Brookvale Road Southampton SO17 1QN

Highfield Residents' Association objects to this application.

This is a residential property and as such not suitable for commercial use as an alcohol delivery business. 15A Brookvale Road is a maisonette, which is described on the application form as a two-bedroom ground floor flat, C4 HMO. It is not listed as holding a valid HMO licence on the SCC Public Register of HMOs.

The storage of alcohol, either inside the flat in the boiler cupboard (see submitted photograph) or in the detached garage, would not be safe nor secure. Would additional fire precautions need to be installed as these are not mentioned in the application?

Other neighbours and local residents would be disturbed by comings and goings, additional security lights, noise and potential late-night deliveries.

Brookvale Road is a residential area up to the Waitrose slip road and the Portswood Broadway junction. 15B (upstairs maisonette) is a licensed HMO for 4 people.

There are many shops selling alcohol and offering delivery service in the immediate locality and to approve further expansion of alcohol sales and delivery from a residential, tenanted property would be inappropriate. The application should be refused.

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