Comment for planning application 23/02523/F

Application Number	23/02523/F
Location	Kirtlington Village Hall South Green Kirtlington OX5 3HJ
Proposal	Erection of single storey detached community shop and cafe
Case Officer	Clancy Sloan
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Name

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Type of Comment

Objection

Type

neighbour

Comments

Whilst I support the efforts of the village to obtain a village shop I am concerned about the impact of the shop and cafe being on the proposed site.

The entrance to the village hall car park is very narrow (single track), with numerous driveways emerging onto the roadway that would provide entry to the shop/cafe. Most of these driveways are 'blind' to vehicles along the road which would then provide a perfect opportunity for a road traffic accident. Cars cannot pass each other between the car park and the main road which means that passing cars have to inpinge on private driveways or drive onto South Green. Additionally, many people use this narrow road to walk with their children and/or dogs either to the local primary school or onto the beautiful parkland. Sadly, many of the users of the village hall car park seem to be oblivious to the dangers and as it is a private road any sort of speed limits are unenforceable; it is only a matter of time even without the construction of a shop and cafe that a child or animal is seriously injured or worse. The increase in the volume of traffic, and subsequent noise, along the road would be unacceptable and if this project did not increase the volume of traffic then I suspect that the project would be financially uneconomical.

Should this project be successful I would be concerned about the security of the building and it's contents. I have witnessed anti-social behaviour in the village car park in, normally, the early hours of the morning and the location is isolated from anything other than the houses adjoining the village hall car park.

Finally, I would think that a far more appropriate place for a village shop and cafe would be on the main road that would provide not only for village customers but also 'passing' trade. The Dashwood Arms would provide a perfect location for a shop and cafe and has it's own car park running off the main road.

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