

BLenheim FARM SHUTFORD BANBURY OX15 6HD



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Dear Zoe Day

App/C3105/W/23/3321715

I am writing with regard to this appeal. I am objecting.

As a family we strongly object to the change of use from a public house to anything else. The public house should not be de-licenced. This historical pub needs to be saved. That is the view of all those who used it.

Mr Noquet suggests, the locals boycotted the pub. That is incorrect. When his family took over, we were not received with the welcome, that the bikers have enjoyed. We were given poor service, food and drink. Not what we were used to, from other publicans.

Looking on the web site **resturanteguru.com**, which gives reviews of this public house, the bikers love it. The wonderful welcome, good food and coffee,... served only in the garden? They don't mention alcohol but there is no reason why the pillion riders might not enjoy some?

The bikers all say how wonderful the garden is and the views are. That is why it was such a suitable a venue for families for food and a drink in the past, now sorely missed.

Interestingly one review by Mark two years ago I quote.

*Grand opening was last year, was open on and off for a total of 2 months the entire 2020. **Does this sound like a pub to you???** It was nice when it was open, but the opening times changed every day and were only for a couple of hours. **Inside the pub is off-limits as it's a pub that has been turned into a house for the owners**, so we all had to be outside in the rain. Recently discovered the building is listed as a public house and **the owners have been using it as residential for years**, despite being fined by the council. I find this all a bit shady if I'm being honest, **like they are only***

pretending to run a pub so as to not lose their home. I would believe in their passion for Blaze Inn Saddles if they would open 7 days a week, 12 months a year like any normal pub! *Blaze Inn Saddles if they would open 7 days a week, 12 months a year like any normal pub!*

That clearly is a problem.

And another review 1 month ago from Chris

Fabulous location and host.**Service:** Dine in**Meal type:** Breakfast**Price per person:** £1–10**Food:** 5**Service:** 5**Atmosphere:** 5

It only goes to show that if the pub ran as it is was meant to, it would be a successful going concern.

Perhaps the hope is that the village will not put up with the bikers but pubs are surely open to everyone, no matter what their mode of transport. They clearly enjoy all that is on offer, in the garden only.

Surely this public house does not enjoy a large enough footprint, for a viable hotel plus parking. This would inevitably lead to on road parking, where there is clearly no room. Possibly compromising emergency services?

Please consider this objection.

Yours sincerely

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