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Subject: Potential invalid planning application 21/2389/FH

Dear Ross,

I have just hand delivered my comments on planning application 21/2389/FH - the old laundry in Bowen Road, into the Civic Centre mail chute - being sure to give it an extra shove, as mail appears to get stuck on the chute itself! I trust it will be uploaded when received.

However, I felt I should point out that, as of today (the deadline), the application is impossible for the public to read.

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Where is the application form? How are we supposed to understand the application without access to the application form? Is this another 'validation error'? Why is it so many validation errors keep happening?

I note there are only plans, which are difficult to read and inaccurate. I am unsure whether the building is to be retained or demolished, but it would appear alterations are to be made at the very least.

I have made comments in my letter about the significance of the building's heritage to Cheriton. In lieu of a Local List, which I know several groups keep mentioning to you, I hope that the LPA will give due consideration to a building that may have been suitable for such a long-overdue list. As such, I would have hoped to have seen a Design & Access Statement, considering this is one of the (if not THE) last remaining dedicated laundry buildings in Cheriton, which was its primary trade as it grew from farmland to a thriving suburb. Your predecessors allowed the demolition of the last surviving major laundry building in 1988; I hope this one will be given more regard.

My comments also mention the fact that the dwellings appear to be in violation of Policy HB3 in terms of size (the illustrations suggest single-bed dwellings for two occupants, which I make less than 50 square metres from the plans) and lack of outdoor space. I feel the building would be better suited as a single dwelling with off-road parking, as the road is fairly narrow and the property is situated close to a tight and blind bend.

I would hope that, given that we have been unable to see the full documents, we will be afforded another full consultation period to consult all documentation. I wonder if the application might warrant refusal on policy grounds, anyway.

Best wishes,

Mark Hourahane