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COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/Y3940/W/23/3330602

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference	APP/Y3940/W/23/3330602
Appeal By	B SHAWANI
Site Address	1A Wicker Hill Trowbridge Wiltshire BA14 8JS

SENDER DETAILS

Name	CLLR STEWART PALMEN
Address	[redacted]
Company/Group/Organisation Name	The Residents of Trowbridge Central Ward

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☑ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence

☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Hello I am the Wiltshire Ward Councillor for The Central Trowbridge Ward in which 1A Wicker Street is located. I am also a Town Councillor and Leader of Trowbridge Town Council.

I am strongly in favour of this application and would like to make the following points

1) "All" the residents of the Central Trowbridge Ward whom I have talked to on the subject (directly and via social media) are in favour of this planning application. No one has put forward any objections though one resident was frustrated that planning permission was not sought when the structure was first erected, I put that down to the business owner's ignorance rather than a deliberate attempt to bypass planning law, this resident is in favour of the application despite that.

2) Having the shop effectively extent out onto the street has bought colour and life to an oversized paved area that previously looked dull and lifeless. The proposed added mural will enhance the look of the structure when the shop is closed overnight.

3) The conservation officer was not against this development

4) Wiltshire Council allow a Kebab van (which I am in favour of) setup in front of this shop so unsure why they see this awning as be detrimental to the conservation area while a Kebab van is not?

5) The shop as it was was a dull 70s? design with no redeeming features. This modification improves the street scene and sense of life.

6) We need to encourage local traders in the area to remain profitable keeping life within our towns and if this modification helps improve the viability of the business then that is good for Trowbridge.

I will leave it there and I hope this error (in my opinion) of not granting planning permission by Wiltshire Council is now corrected on appeal and I apologise to the applicant for not calling it into committee as I really expected the officers to pass it (never make assumptions!).