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For the attention of Emily Pickup

Planning Application No: 3/2023/0771

Grid Ref: 373253 436087

**Proposal: Change of use from booking office to taxi office at first floor level.
Access to first floor reception/sitting area via entrance hall and staircase on
ground floor.**

**Location: First Floor Unit 6A Abbey Works Back King Street Whalley Lancashire
BB7 9SP**

The submitted documents, plans and previous history have been reviewed and the following comments are made.

We would object to this proposal due to pedestrian safety concerns. Our comments remain the same as for previous application 3.2012.0824.

The development of this site will introduce pedestrians (Customer waiting area proposed) into an area where there are no footways and vehicles manoeuvring to a number of locations within a relatively confined area.

The previous successful application for this location, 3/09/0127, recognised that, "the development provides for the creation of a single office unit specifically for the administration of a taxi booking service, involving the taking and relaying of calls." It specified that there, "must be no access to the office for members of the public or for its use as a meeting place for either passengers or drivers."

We are recommending refusal of this application on highway safety grounds and we are satisfied that the previous highway safety justifications for prohibiting pedestrian access to the site remain relevant and that providing access for pedestrians to the taxi booking office would be detrimental to highway safety.

Kind regards

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