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Dear Sir,

Ref: Planning Application 3/2024/0834

I write to strongly object to the proposed development of 69 King Street, Whalley, as outlined the above planning application.

1) Whilst sympathetic development of the village should be encouraged, this particular developer has shown scant regard for the architectural and conservational make-up of Whalley, as evidenced by the development of the monstrous picture house apartments on George Street. The developers track record is questionable, having submitted numerous retrospective amendments to the original plans.

2) Parking in Whalley remains an ongoing issue. A large proportion of the available spaces for those wanting to visit the shops on George Street is now reserved for residents of the Picture House apartments. This parking is also used by parents wishing to access the school. This planning application fails to adequately set out how parking will be managed, where staff and guests will be able to park, how practically guests will be able to pull in and check in and where this proposed valet parking actually is? There simply isn't enough detail and this needs to be interrogated thoroughly.

3) Development of this type is very disruptive to residents and visitors, who have already suffered extensive disruption during the building of the picture house apartments. This has included constant and extended building noise in a residential area, disruption to businesses and congestion on the street due to skips, scaffolding etc. I have no faith that these issues will be managed with any more sensitivity by this developer for this proposed development.

4) Whalley's issues with the night time economy are well documented and careful consideration should be given to the addition of yet another restaurant/bar in this concentrated area.

5) There are numerous accommodation options for visitors both in and within a small radius of Whalley. These include several hotels, inns and B&Bs, including shortly what was the former Breda Murphy restaurant. There is no requirement for a 'Boutique' Hotel, rooftop spa or pool. It is disingenuous to suggest otherwise.

In summary, I ask that real consideration is given to the above issues and that the rights of residents are put first before more insensitive overdevelopment and profiteering on the part of this developer.

Thank you,
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