

NEWSLETTER

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Planning application: 'take away' next to Hartford Village Stores refused

HDC Conclusion: The proposed development is considered to be contrary to relevant national and local planning policy as:

- The principle of the development of this site for takeaway is not acceptable because it does not comply with the other relevant policies of Huntingdonshire's Local Plan.
- The proposed development would not preserve the character of the conservation area due the nature of a takeaway operation in this particular location and the likely impact that an extraction system will have on the visual appearance of the building and the Conservation Area.
- The proposal would not satisfactorily safeguard the amenities of neighbouring dwellings.
- There is insufficient information about likely trip generation and the availability of on street parking especially in the evenings. There are no other material planning considerations which have a significant bearing on the determination of this application.

Having regard to applicable national and local planning policies, and having taken all relevant material considerations into account, it is therefore recommended that planning permission should be refused.

Theresa Nicholl, Planning Officer HDC

Hartford Court flats



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At last, after regular nagging by HCG, improvement could be on its way with the planned removal of the garages and possible resurfacing of the area. Feasibility study is in hand.

The tree in the river.

Remember this one? Since the mature tree fell into the river almost 2 years ago, this has been a 'hot potato' for local councils and the Environment Agency and the only development has been the tree's steady rooting into the riverbed. But we understand that Cambs County Council and the Environment are currently discussing the best way forward. Whatever their conclusion it can't come too soon.

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