

Application 6/2020/1660

Comment

Councillor Duncan Bell

Whilst I accept that the site would benefit from some development, I am concerned at the level and nature of the parking provision.

- Only 3 spaces are to be provided for 6 dwellings. We have seen from experience, particularly with the student accommodation facility at the nearby Comet Hotel, how under-provision of parking leads to pressure on surrounding roads. In this case, the surrounding area, the unused bus station, is already used for commuter parking.
- From the drawings, it appears that the 3 parking spaces, built into the ground floor, are open on to Jetliner Way. There is a risk that such spaces become litter traps, unless enclosed by garage doors.
- To allow for access to these 3 spaces, it would appear to be necessary to apply double yellow lines along a short stretch of Jetliner Way, causing a loss of at least two existing spaces. Are HCC or WHBC in a position to apply such a restriction?
- The area surrounding the unused bus station is currently a rather neglected litter trap, and is used as a large informal car park much of the time. If there

was some way that this development could, as part of the parking solution, take some ownership of part of the area behind the development, and alongside the bus station, then perhaps a win-win could be achieved.