

Legends Gymnasium



Bobbers Mill Bridge

Nottingham



Planning Office

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Bobbersmill industrial estate

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To Whom it may concern,

I'm writing in order to object to the recent planning application that would demolish my and many other businesses in the Bobbers Mill area.

Firstly I would like to express my displeasure at NOTI receiving notification of the planning request as it threatens my present and future business ventures.

In short the news of this application has left me feeling threatened about the thousands of pounds and the years I have spent literally building this business up to what it is today.

I find it insulting that I was not made aware of an application when we are the largest business operating in this complex.

Whom ever put this application forwards has not considered how this jeopardizes something that I have invested hundreds of thousands of pounds into and an unfathomable amount of time and effort, I'm sure you can empathise with me when I say I feel threatened by this proposal.

This plan has also made me question the security of the staff I employ and will employ. This business has offered multiple opportunities to locals and undergraduates alike. The possibilities afforded to undergraduates allow them to flourish and take leading role without the financial resources or

liability that are associated with ownership of a business, all whilst in a socio-economic environment where higher education is not a direct route to employment.

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This establishment has also played an active part in helping to bring harmony to the local area as our gymnasium is a hub in which individuals from multiple ethnic and social backgrounds socialise and bond. Our business has helped break down the racial, religious and socio-economic barriers that breed the intolerance and hatred and in its place friendly if not familial bonds have been formed between groups that would rarely mix outside the environment we provide, groups such as Polish and Jamaicans, Sikh and Muslim and, wealthy and impoverished. In short if the gym was taken away these bonds would rot away and the bitter discourse and intolerance between the variety of ethnic and religious groups in the Bobbers Mill area would continue, furthermore there is not any private or public sector initiative that has achieved this within this area. The bonds between the ethnic minorities and groups are evident within the greater community as a direct result of our establishment.

I feel insulted at the lack of recognition from the council regarding my efforts to improve the site and the local community. I regularly liaise with the local police to tackle anti-social and criminal activity and as a result we have made this area safer for the local community. Not only do I regularly assist law enforcement but my establishments facilitates the rehabilitation of ex-convicts as it provides a positive and constructive outlet for any negative emotions they may be harbouring, preventing re-offences. The six year plan I have in mind for this site would provide ample opportunities for local business, employment and possible opportunities for under/post graduates. My expansions would benefit the site and attract more business and development to the surrounding area helping to make Bobbers Mill a more affluent area and a more viable location for future business developments. All this without any assistance from the local authorities and all out of my own funding.

In conclusion I feel that this plan not only poses a threat to my business but the community at large, the repercussions of dismantling the establishment I have poured an insurmountable amount of time, effort and money into would not only be detrimental to the livelihood of the staff I employ and the students which I have offered opportunities to. Having this budding establishment torn away after just establishing its roots would not only have a detrimental effect on employees and investors alike but the ripples of such an action would be felt throughout the surrounding community. Although I have no qualms with accepting assistance in cleaning up the site I do not welcome develop over my business, I feel it threatens my ability to provide for the community and my staff's ability to provide for their families. I also see the lack of notification a kick in the teeth especially when we are the largest business that occupies this site also, when taking into account all I have done for this site and my work with local authorities, furthermore my business has made the surrounding area safer for the general public.

Regards

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