

PLANNING REF : 192648
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 30 Park View Drive South
: Charvil, Wokingham
: RG10 9QX
SUBMITTED BY : Charvil Parish Council
DATE SUBMITTED : 25/10/2019

COMMENTS:

Charvil Parish Council would like to comment on this application as follows:

1. There is currently permission for nine commercial vehicles to be parked on this site. The application states that there is permission for 12 commercial vehicles this is not the case as far as the Parish Council can ascertain; there is a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence (GVOL) for 12, but not planning permission. There is no permission for the Bells and Two Tones vehicles, nor a Rabbit Self Hire vehicle that also has a GVOL to operate from the site. The Parish Council would have objected to the extension to 12 vehicles in the GVOL if it had been permitted, but Parish Council can only object in exceptional circumstance. The road is narrow, is now home to a Primary School, which was not the case when permission on this site was first granted and is now subject to a new development currently being built. The Parish Council has no objection to the site being used commercially but is concerned that the type of business allowed should not include increased goods vehicle movements as complaints from residents have increased in recent years. There are grave concerns that the conditions of only working on Mondays to Saturdays 7am to 8pm are not being enforced. It is not fair on the residents of Park Lane that such noisy vehicles should be using the road late at night and on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

2. Having read both the report from the Planning officer and the Planning, Design and Access Statement, that Bells and Two Tones Ltd create minimal vehicle usage on the local roads, we feel that this needs to be challenged. Residents of Charvil see these vehicles out and about daily possibly some people assume they are genuine fire and rescue vehicles, which is why they don't cause much offence but they are frequently moving from the site. Charvil Parish Council do not regard this site as suitable for this business either, because of this; if they were just being stored there, that would be one thing but because of their regular use, they also have an impact on Charvil residents.

3. In the Planning, Design and Access Statement, it states that there has been informal community engagement. It would have been helpful if this Community Engagement had stretched to the Parish Council, as there is no desire to prevent the site from use as a commercial site, but rather to balance commercial activity with the interests of residents.

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