



THE ROYAL BURGH OF ST ANDREWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

30th August 2014

Attention: Ms. Fiona Kirk,
Development Central
Enterprise, Planning and Protective Services
Fife Council
Kingdom House
Glenrothes KY7 5LY

Dear Ms. Kirk,

14/02488/LBC - Listed building consent for internal alterations and erection of signage
14/02489/ADV - Display of one non-illuminated fascia sign and one non-illuminated projecting sign
6A Greyfriars Garden St Andrews Fife KY16 9HG

The Royal Burgh of St. Andrews Community Council (hereinafter “StACC”) is registering an OBJECTION to the above planning applications.

The StACC OBJECTS to the following aspects of these planning applications:

1. There are already too many restaurants in St. Andrews. In the past month at least 2 restaurants have closed or announced they are closing through lack of business. There are already plans for 2 more restaurants in South Street that have not opened yet. The StACC objects to the continued imbalance of restaurants in relation to retail outlets within the town.
2. Greyfriars Garden is a mainly residential street with a few day-time businesses. It has never had any commercial activity in the evenings. This proposal will impact neighbouring properties to a great extent with increased noise activity late into the evening, and early morning.
3. The StACC objects to any use of the pavement on this street by the applicant. The pavement is no more than 2 metres wide, and therefore any use of the pavement for a restaurant would contravene the requirement for at least 2 metre of clear pavement to be available for pedestrians.
4. The StACC understands that there is little or no available bin storage for this property. A neighbour, who is objecting to this application, allowed the Coffee Shop to have two small bins on their property. This will obviously not be possible for the new restaurant owners. It will be completely unacceptable for a restaurant with even more waste to position their bins in the communal back alleyway, or worse, on Greyfriars Garden.



5. Finally, the StACC objects to the impact on the surrounding residential area caused by the food smells being dispersed by the proposed extractor fans that will need to be installed for the restaurant. As noted this is mainly a residential area, and we believe the proposed restaurant use is completely incompatible for this area of St. Andrews.

We therefore request that these applications are rejected.

Please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Howard Greenwell
Chair
St. Andrews Community Council

cc: St. Andrews Community Council Planning Committee
Cllr. Frances Melville
Cllr. Dorothea Morrison
Cllr. Keith McCartney
Cllr. Brian Thomson