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Comments: Whilst the regeneration of the Mill is commendable I would like to raise the following questions.

1.. How is the loading area accessed ? The applicant owns only a narrow strip of land down the side of the mill, (see block plan) hardly enough room to drive a car down let alone enough delivery vehicles to service 21 units. The submitted plans give the impression that the loading area will be accessed over the car park belonging to the adjacent Well street Mill which is under the ownership of a different company and was given planning permission several years ago for accommodation with parking for 10 - 11 cars. I do not see a document within the planning application from the owner of Well street Mill giving their authority for their car park to be used as an access to the units.

2.. Parking of vehicles belonging to unit owners. The streets around Well street are congested enough. We run our Funeral Vehicles out of garages opposite the proposed development and often have difficulties with access and this development will only add to the congestion. Has anyone thought about using the ground floor of the mill for car parking and loading bays? This idea has worked beautifully with the Premier Inn on Ashbourne Road,

To think that people working at the mill will all arrive on bicycles and that this parking provision is enough shows the complete shortsightedness that we have seen in the development of the town centre overall.

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