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Change of use of wedding shop retail to a licensed bar.
at 25 - 27 Getliffes Yard, Derby Street, Leek

Design and Access Statement

This application seeks permission to extend the existing establishment 'Leek Bar & Grill' (22 - 24 Getliffe Yard, Derby Street, Leek) into an adjacent empty retail unit at 25-27 Getliffes Yard.

Leek Bar & Grill is a popular establishment which fronts onto Bath Street, with three sets of double doors to the rear, out into the covered, enclosed courtyard called Getliffes Yard, which features a metal and glass roof supported by 4 metal posts down into the yard itself. Numerous chairs and tables are laid out within the courtyard for use by patrons of Leek Bar & Grill.

This application relates to 25 – 27 Getliffes Yard, which is a former wedding shop which now sits vacant. It is proposed to convert the wedding shop into a new bar area by extending out into Getliffes Yard, with a glazed lean-to roof and sliding folding doors to enclose the new area.

The outer wall is shown removed to form a wide opening to take a new bar area with a new steel beam shown over the opening to support the building above.
7 no. aluminium framed sliding and folding glass doors are shown across the front of the new bar area to make it secure. The doors have a recess to fold away into on the right-hand side. Above the sliding folding doors is a lean-to aluminium framed glass roof which sits behind the two existing round columns.

A new bar and backfitting are proposed within the new opening with a curved end to allow access through to a new internal seating area.
To the rear of the bar, a new bottle store is formed which is entered through the existing doorway.
The internal seating is to have the flat ceiling removed and a glass rooflight inserted into the lean-to roof above.
A WC formed with stud walls to the rear of the building is removed and two runs of fixed seating with loose chairs and tables are proposed internally.

The circular floor area in the courtyard is shown with a feature 1800 dia high granite top table with a feature pendant light above and eight bar stools.
The stone paving within the circle is shown replaced with patterned porcelain tiles.
New Fixed seating with a feature screen and loose tables and chairs are also shown to the courtyard area.

This application seeks to extend this popular establishment into a vacant retail unit, which is positioned in a difficult location for a shop, right at the end of the courtyard away from other retail units.
With access both through Leek Bar & Grill itself, and from the entrance to Getliffes Yard off Derby Street, we feel this area is perfectly suited as an extension to this existing establishment.