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I write in regard to the proposed change of use for the former John Arnold Galleries picture framing shop, and would make the following comments.

1) It sits at the convergence of High St, Congleton Rd, John St and Albert St. At a situation which is most unsuited for stopping or parking. Those area's of John St which are not restricted by yellow lines are constantly occupied by town centre workers during the day, and by residents when they can get in. The situation is so bad that as Albert St residents we are often unable to park where we live being displaced by residents of John St, workers at the Elite Retreat beauty salon, the ladies hair dressers sited at the junction of John St and Albert St and of course all of their patrons. This situation is already intolerable especially for those such as myself who have disability's. Setting aside the inconvenience, stopping outside of these premises would be inviting disaster.

2) Coun Salt says in the Biddulph Chronicle, " Concerns must be balanced with need for business" it should be pointed out that convenience stores already exist in Forge Lane, St Johns Rd, Knypersley traffic lights, and closer to the proposed site is High Spirits store and off license at the top of Albert St, Pedley's store and off licence just around the corner from the John St site in High St, there is also the Mini Mart in High St just a little way up from Pedley's . opposite Pedley is the post office which sells a limited range of products, and of course we have Sainsbury's Bargain Booze and Aldi all on High St and Tunstall Rd. Do we really need another Convenience Store !? I think not.

3) Just as an aside from the convenience store being a complete inconvenience for the residents, these activities would be sure to devalue the worth of our properties. And just as a nod to the wise, the lack of consideration given to those around is clear by their having replaced the side entrance door which we are believed to be access to 2 flats above (more parking woes) they have fitted an external door with no outward view, and which swings outward across the pavement, another accident waiting to happen.

*Please give my thoughts your clearest consideration.
Regards Alan Burgess*

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