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Comments: It is always very sad to see pubs closing. The Cross Inn, like many pubs these days, has been the victim of the ongoing economic and social changes that affect us all. It is welcome news that a business has decided to base the proposed caravan site locally. It will have a positive impact on local businesses in the area, including the remaining pubs, local shops and attractions. The Cross has become a real eyesore over the past few years, it gives the wrong impression of this flourishing area. The pub trade is on it's knees, I don't think it is feasible to overhaul a building like the The Cross and go onto recuperating the vast investment it would take. As a pub, we benefitted from The Cross when it was open, we enjoyed customers and visitors exploring the area and it would be in our interests for it to be reopened as a pub. That said, it is not viable and so I believe we should encourage this investment in the area and be understanding when difficult decisions have to be made.

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