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Good morning,

My partner and I own The Reform Inn Public House opposite to the proposed property who is seeking planning permission. Over the last 12 months parking has become a major issue for our business and our customers, both regular and new to the area. Our busiest times which range from a Thursday and Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday has seen several near misses and 1 or 2 scrapes to note a few. Customers entering and leaving our rear car park have regularly commented on how dangerous the turn right out of the car park is with oncoming traffic who are heading towards them from the blind dip. This danger is increased by the 1 or 2 vehicles that are parked on the left hand side of the road after immediately exiting the car park. An already narrow, dangerous road with zero street lighting increases the risk of an accident tenfold and has been quoted as "dangerous" several times over the last 12 months. To add to this our front car park immediately opposite the noted property, sees our customers having to try and reverse on to the main road without colliding with the parked cars whilst negating oncoming traffic from both ways. Passengers have been seen to get out to help manoeuvre drivers around the parked cars. This problem is exasperated when the two taxis are doing their regular daily drop offs, blocking the road for long periods of time whilst the passengers are either loaded or unloaded. I do not know of any other property in the village who leaves their vehicles on the road. These plans do add space/convert the property will reduce any possibility of off road parking that does already exist which could already be easily rectified by widening the drive in order to house 2 vehicles and grant access, thus reducing the risk of damage to vehicles and any highly potential threats of injury.

We look forward to hearing from you soonest.

Kind regards

Simon Bell