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Submission: Support

Comments: I am writing to express my full support for the proposed Starbucks drive-through development on Broad Street.

The site in question has been derelict for many years and currently stands as an eyesore. Redevelopment of this land would significantly improve the appearance of the area and make much better use of what is currently an unproductive space.

Broad Street is located far enough from the main town centre that the new coffee shop will not have a negative impact on the many existing cafés and independent outlets there. The footfall in this part of town is relatively low, and as a drive-through, most customers will be transient motorists rather than people who would otherwise visit cafés in the centre.

In addition, the new Starbucks would provide welcome local employment opportunities, both during construction and once open. Similar concerns were raised when McDonald's applied to open in Leek, yet that development has proved successful and has not harmed other local food outlets. I believe this proposal will have the same positive outcome.

I therefore support the application and look forward to seeing this long-neglected site brought back into use.

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