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Submission: Objection

Comments: It is difficult to understand how the owners of The George could possibly believe that these structures 'enhance the appearance and create a more welcoming outside seating area', since they are totally out of keeping with the historic building which they adorn. They are ugly and serve no purpose whatsoever, since they create no shelter from the weather, and diners/drinkers/smokers can just as easily use the space without them being there. The George is the oldest building in the centre of Hayfield's Conservation Area and it is a travesty to spoil the look with such ugly 'pergolas' for which there seems to be no point whatsoever. The argument that the structure at the front cannot be seen is shown to be untrue with the proof being the photograph showing it clearly visible from across the road above the height of the parked cars. The statement, therefore, that 'the structure is no higher than the existing high retaining wall' cannot be true. Since the construction was 'part funded' by the brewery, one would have thought that they, Marstons, would have been aware that planning permission would be necessary, particularly in relation to such an historic building in a conservation area, before going ahead. It is noted that there is obviously a history of ignoring planning requirements, since there is a large ugly metal extraction tube attached to the back of the pub which has apparently been in place since at least 2019, but which has no planning permission as it is and unfortunately is now out of time, having been there for over four years. A nearby local restaurant was required to erect a stone chimney at great expense in order to enclose their own extractor. I strongly urge refusal of this application.

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