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Application Reference No. : HPK/2023/0189 Site Address: High Peak Halls Bridge Street Buxton Derbyshire SK17 6BB Buxton Comments by: Wayne Measham

From:

Sheraton Way  
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Submission: Objection

Comments: I strongly object to this application. I am a Buxton resident. Buxton has a well known and long standing issue relating to drugs and substance abuse, particularly within the area of Fairfield Road. This is the locality of the Halls. Putting vulnerable people into these Halls is a recipe for disaster. Local drug dealers will prey on these asylum seekers which will exasperbate the problem and will lead to further issues throughout the town.

Other areas of the country that have allowed these asylum seekers to reside in premise have reported an increase in issues relating to intimidation, rape, sexual assaults and thefts from shops and premises all of which are attributed to these young men. I fear the same will happen in Buxton, putting women and young girls at particular risk. This type of expected behaviour will drive away visitors and tourists. I also fear that local young men will take exception to these asylum seekers and there will be fights and other public disorder issues involving these youths.

The policing of Buxton is, and has been stretched to breaking point for a number of years. I feel that to place these asylum seekers into the Halls, with all of the subsequent issues which that will bring, will be madness. Leaving the locals to pick up the pieces.

I have worked and lived in Buxton for over 20 years. Most recently I have been unable to find a local dentist which will take me, and have to travel over 30 miles to access dentistry. Obtaining access to a GP and other local services is also equally problematic. You are now hoping to place almost 200 extra people into this scenario. Ridiculous!

This planning application is ill thought out and incorrectly applied. Not only has there been no consultation, but the application doesn't even have consultation dates on the application form. Why? Were you hoping to sneak it through without anyone noticing?

The comany that owns and runs the premises into which you wish to house these young men are not concerned in the slightest about the above issues. All they are bothered about is the money that they will get for it. As a British tax payer, I object to my money being given to anyone under this premise.

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