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Comments: I write to object to High Peak Halls change of use because, as we now know, it is to be an Asylum seekers dispersal centre. The decision to allow change of use should take this into consideration. There are no grounds around the Halls and the doors lead directly to the pavement in the town centre. It could be that nearly 300 young men with lots of time on their hands could be wondering around the town. Sounds like a recipe for disaster. We would not know these men's history. They could be criminals and be allowed the freedom of the town. The town would completely change and it would damage tourism upon which many Buxton people depend. There seems to be an attempt to bypass the local community. The people of Buxton don't have a vote on this. The police don't want it, the People of Buxton don't want it. Nobody wants it. It's unfair and too much to ask of the people of Buxton. If there were women & children asylum seekers I may think differently. A small town centre like Buxton is the wrong place for this. It has the potential to change this small town completely. Hopefully the decision to allow change of use of the Halls will be influenced by its planned use as an Asylum Dispersal Centre.

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