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Submission: Objection

Comments: I write to object to the application to change the use of the commercial element of 5 Green Lane to that of a dwelling. I appreciate that the application is currently to assess whether planning permission were needed. I would object to the principle of the change proposed. Boarded up or 'dead' shop fronts are often an indicator of wider decline in an area. Efforts to maintain businesses and commercial opportunities can act as a catalyst for the wider community - the decision on 5 Green Lane has implications for Chinley as a whole. We anticipate a national High Streets Strategy from the UK government to land this year. High Peak Borough Council can get ahead of this and protect the interests of the Chinley high street for the whole community. Losing business potential on Chinley's high street impacts the vitality of the village and is in contravention of Policy E1 of the High Peak Local Plan. The damage this will cause to the conservation area in which 5 Green Lane sits is in contravention of Policy EQ6 of the High Peak Local Plan. When the property was bought by the current owner, the space in question was an operational post office - clearly a commercial space, not a dwelling. It is a matter of weeks since the post office closed - there is no evidence to suggest that there is not viable business potential at 5 Green Lane.

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