

## Tara Gambling

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*Dear Sam*

*Further to our telephone conversation I wonder if you would pass this email message to the members of the Angmering Parish Council Planning Committee.*

*Many thanks*

*Liz*

Dear Committee members of Angmering Parish Council

My client, Sally Beituni (the applicant), and I were anticipating attending the planning committee meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> April to make a representation on behalf of the above application. It now seems unlikely that the open meeting will go ahead and as a consequence unlikely that we will be able to make a personal representation to the members. With this in mind I did discuss with Sam Fraser in the Parish Council office and we agreed that perhaps an email representation would be our best option in these exceptional circumstances. I therefore give below some background and more detail of the proposed change of use from retail to Barista Coffee House and Micro Bar.

Sally Beituni, the applicant, is a local lady currently living in East Preston. She has, over a period of several years, been looking for a long term career change to run her own eatery or bar but opportunities in the right environment have been difficult to find. Sally had been looking for an opportunity for a small business where she can be a part of a thriving community and where she can use her entrepreneurial and artistic flair to realise her ambition. She took over this part of the Red Lion Building in March, having 'fallen in love with it', just before this awful 'lock down' situation began and is still driven to make this succeed once we can get back to normality.

Sally is also avidly interested in the history of this building from it's origins as the village's only public house, and indeed the wider history of the village. She has many ideas of how to depict this history in not only the name of the new business, but also incorporating historical facts amongst the décor inside the new coffee house/micro bar. She is keen to retain and enhance the character of the building both externally and internally.

Sally made a point of speaking to local people passing the shop since starting the internal renovation and upgrading work and received overwhelming encouragement and excitement about the new proposed business. Sally was extremely encouraged by this overall approval from her initial informal market research. She had intended to broaden this research but was abruptly halted by the current situation.

We feel that this business will bring a much desired social place to meet in the village. With Sally's energy and enthusiasm to fill this small unit with community spirit and by involving herself (and her business) in community events, fairs, markets we are sure the business can be a real enhancement to the community. The business itself will be managed to ensure respect for neighbouring properties and residents in regard to deliveries, opening hours (no later than 10pm), noise, behaviour of customers, etc. No music will be played as the ethos is to encourage social interaction in a quiet, friendly environment.

We would be more than happy to answer any specific questions by email and, in case the meeting does go ahead on 28<sup>th</sup> April, we would welcome the opportunity to meet you in person.

We hope that the members will support this application so that this small unit can thrive again as a business offering a service to the community of Angmering.

Thanking you and wishing you all to keep safe and well in these difficult times.

Liz Galloway  
(Agent)