

	Online Comments
Application No:	18/04678/FUL
Comments:	<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>I object to this application on three grounds:</p> <p>1. It is claimed that the Three Horseshoes Public House was not and is not financially viable. This may be true but it is a situation caused by mismanagement in recent years. Far from seeking new customers there seemed to be a deliberate policy of discouraging them. Standards became so low that it ceased to have any attraction, in sharp contrast to the situation which had existed in the past. With inspired ownership and good management the Three Horseshoes could be financially viable and indeed profitable.</p> <p>2. When we moved to Burbage 30 years ago there was a hotel and four public houses in the village. If the Three Horseshoes is lost this leaves only the White Hart and its future is also uncertain. The village continues to expand and its High Street is a mile long. Burbage can easily support two public houses, especially as they are far apart. The Three Horseshoes is an essential amenity in this growing village.</p> <p>3. As its name suggests the Three Horseshoes is part of our heritage at the north end of the village. Apart from being an attractive and historic building it has potential as the focus for three aspects of the village's history - the Kennet - Avon Canal and Bruce's Tunnel, the complex railway junction at Savernake, and the GHQ Line - the last line of resistance in the Second World War at its most critical point. These provide an opportunity for the further development of the Three Horseshoes as a thriving business. The Three Horseshoes Public House is a heritage asset to the village with considerable commercial potential.</p> <p>I ask that these be taken into your consideration.</p> <p>Anthony Leask</p>
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