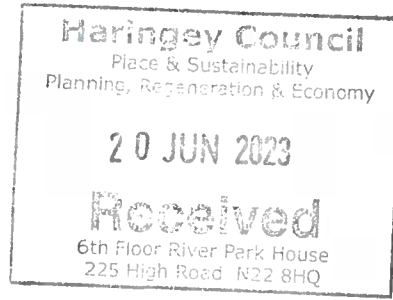




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Shop: 78 Myddleton Road, London, N22 8NQ

Proposal: Change of use from Commercial, Business and Service to Dwelling Houses

I am writing this letter as I am objecting to the change of use from Retail to Residential of the above-mentioned property. Myddleton Road is part of a conservation area and has been here for more than a century. It has won awards for the best small high street and the council should be trying to get more small businesses to open in the area to help bring economy to the area. When I moved to Bowes Park, we had two butchers, a post office, and an array of shops for the community. The density of the people in the area is already a lot and above every shop on the road there is residential housing. If this property is allowed to change from commercial, business and service use to dwelling, it may make other landlords want to do the same. Then, the beauty of the Myddleton road shopping area will be lost and will become just a street full of housing. Why isn't the council thinking of ways to get small independent shops to rent the existing units rather than changing use?

I reject the change of use and think it would be the start of a downward spiral for the area. It's just like when one house gets off street parking – others see that it has been approved and then do the same, reducing parking. Hopefully you understand the analogy.

Regards,

Mrs Roach