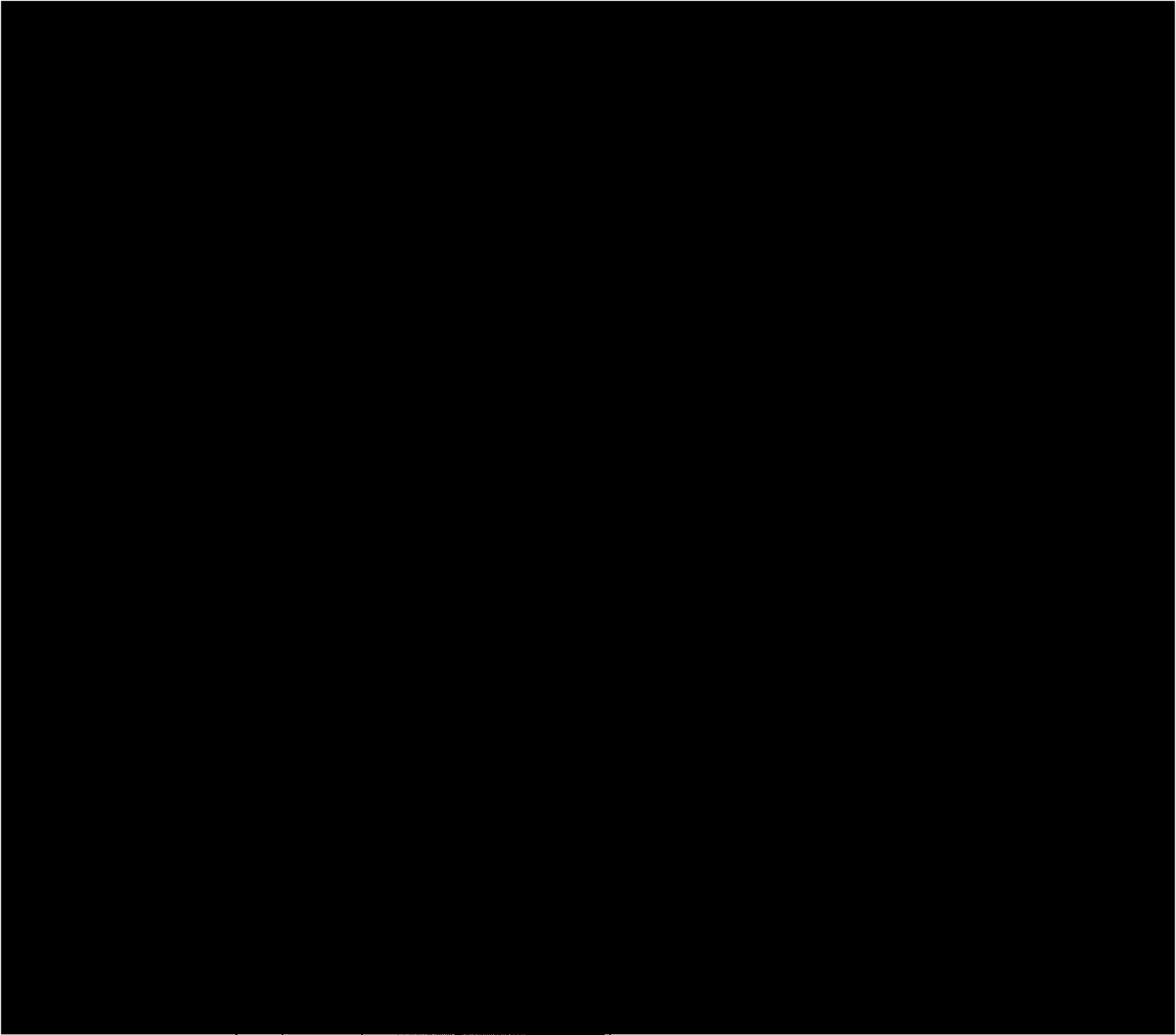




Sent: 31 August 2014 03:03
To: bldg con
Subject: AW/211/14/PL and AW/215/14/A

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above planning applications I wish to forward my objections to both applications on the following grounds.

AW/211/14/PL

- The loss of an historic pub in an area already designated by the council as of 'special character'.
- The loss of a valued, local amenity because there is no other pub within half a mile.
- The real prospect of a traffic safety hazard and congestion on Aldwick Street with cars and delivery lorries entering and exiting during opening hours.
- The noise nuisance from the proposed external freezer unit, especially if you live at the back of the Ship Inn.

- The increased hooliganism which would result from a late night store selling carry-out alcohol to people from outside the area.

AW/215/14/A

- The ugly nature of the Morrisons signage, how out of place it would be in Aldwick village, and that the illumination would be intrusive at night.

My wife and I moved to the area a year ago and one of the criteria to move to Aldwick was its community feel. The proximity to both the beach and a local pub was pivotal. The discovery that the pub was to close was devastating. Despite numerous landlords renting the pub from Enterprise Inns, the pub continued to close and then re-open with a new landlord. This demonstrated that Enterprise Inns were charging too much rent to allow any development of trade by the landlord. They even refused to allow the last couple to stay on despite a request to do so. Now obvious because they had decided to deal with Morrisons, not caring about the impact on the local community with the loss of the pub.

Please refuse both planning applications and allow the local businessmen to purchase the pub from Enterprise Inns and get the Ship Inn back on the map, and maybe even into the good beer guide.

Your sincerely

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