



Chief Planning Officer
Folkestone & Hythe District Council
Folkestone
CT20 2QY

7 February 2025

Comment on planning application

Reference no:	24/1887/FH
Site address:	White Lion, 70 Cheriton High Street, CT19 4HF
Proposal:	Change of use of public house to ground floor café, supported living accommodation Class (C2) at lower ground, first and second floor, erection of 3 storey side extension and single storey rear extension, installation of photovoltaic panels and roof light to roof, alteration to ground floor front and side openings, erection of covered parking area with photovoltaic panels to roof, laying of hardstanding to rear, alteration to existing vehicular access onto Chilham Road
Officer:	Helena Payne
Stance:	SUPPORT

Dear Mr. Lloyd,

The New Folkestone Society's planning sub-committee considered the above application at a meeting on 4 February 2025 and has delegated powers to lodge the Society's support on the following grounds:

- The White Lion should be considered both a non-designated heritage asset and a gateway landmark when entering Cheriton. Whilst it should never have been left to get so derelict, we are nevertheless impressed with the restoration works that have been carried out so far. We support an application that proposes the retention of the building and assisted living sounds acceptable in principle.

However, it is noted that there is no application form publicly visible, which makes certain aspects of the application difficult to ascertain.



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Yours sincerely,

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Chair, New Folkestone Society planning sub-committee

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