



**REPORT of
DIRECTOR OF SERVICE DELIVERY**
to
CENTRAL AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
2 JUNE 2021

MEMBERS' UPDATE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Application Number	21/00314/FUL
Location	4 Sided Shelter, The Promenade Park, Park Drive, Maldon
Proposal	Converting & renovating an existing public seating shelter into a food serving kiosk
Applicant	Mrs Salisbury
Agent	Gytis Bickus
Target Decision Date	18.05.2021
Case Officer	Hannah Dungate
Parish	Maldon East
Reason for Referral to the Committee / Council	Member Call-In by Cllr Lagan – Policies E3 and S5 - no open tender process carried out; preserve and enhance quality of historic character; loss of community facility. Council Owned Land

7 CONSULTATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

7.4 Representations received from Interested Parties (*summarised*)

7.5 Representations received supporting the application:

2 further letters of support have been received and are summarised as set out in the table below:

Comment	Officer Response
Expansion of existing business will mean more job opportunities for local community which can only be seen as a positive	Noted
Healthy options available from prospective vendor which are not available at other kiosks	Noted. This is not a material planning consideration.

Rarely see existing hut used apart from for unsocial activities	Noted
Existing shelter unsightly and its refurbishment will be a welcome asset to locals and visitors	Noted

7.6 Representations received objecting to the application:

5 further letters of objection have been received and are summarised as set out below:

Comment	Officer Response
Loss of seating area versus addition of food outlet will make it less attractive and less accessible to those who have difficulty walking or to shelter from the weather.	Noted. See Section 5.5.
The traditional aspects of the park are part of its charm and character and the proposal will erode that.	Noted. See Section 5.2.
Prospective vendors have received unfair advantage / favouritism	This is not a material planning consideration. See Section 5.5.3.