

**Traffic Regulation Order – Swale Amendment 48 2023**

**Proposed Loading Bay – 33/35 Victoria Street, Sheerness – Formal Objections Received**

1. This proposed loading bay is totally unacceptable and unfair to myself and my neighbours. Especially when it already has one ! The parking in Victoria Street is almost impossible at the best of times. The proposed loading bay takes up nearly the same space as three households, and it would be out of bounds for any body at any time, thereby we lose another three car parking spaces. I have no objection to the shop whatsoever, but to allow it to have exclusive access to part of our road is not acceptable. Why does the shop need a loading bay anyway when it already has one, off the road, and with a dropped kerb for it as well. Other businesses have used those premises with out part of the road reserved for them with no trouble at all, why does it need all this extra part of our road. I enclose a picture of the shop as it is, showing the "already made" loading facility and roller door access. Please take time to consider my objection, trying to keep a vehicle for getting to work is not easy when you don't have a private drive. This will make a big impact on the residents in this part of the street. I urge you to REFUSE the installation of the loading bay.

2. We have concerns about a loading bay we live \*\*\*\*\* with more parking restrictions in the street the residents will have no places to park and when the inconvenience store opens traffic will be parking across our dropped kerb restricted our access. Number \*\*\* has about 6 trailers dumped outside taking up valuable parking spaces will you be getting them removed to allow residents to have alternative places to park?

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4. I wish to raise a formal objection to the proposed installation of a new loading bay outside of the convenience store at 33-35 Victoria Street in Sheerness. I am a resident who lives in Victoria Street and my objection is due to the lack of parking space already available to Victoria Street residents and surrounding areas - High Street, Shrubsole avenue, Vincent Gardens and St.George's Avenue. If this proposal is accepted it will cause further difficulties for residents and will only encourage illegal parking, which in turn will cause the road to become more of a danger than it already is. The convenience store will attract further traffic to an already severely overcrowded street and the proposed loading bay with daily / at all hours restrictions will contribute to the difficulties the residents already face, ie limited spaces and cars parked over resident drive ways ect. Planning permission for 33-35 Victoria street was accepted for demolition of existing vacant building and garage, and erection of 3no. terraced houses with associated parking and private amenity space. Reference: 19/505424/Full. The intentions for the agreed planning permission has not been carried out and a convenience store has been decided instead without seeking resident opinion. The original building and garage are still erect therefore, the loading bay is not necessary due to the building having a drop curb and space to access its garage for delivery purposes. I feel the proposed plan is unreasonable due to loss of resident parking and the strict restrictions being imposed and should be declined due to the issues raised.

5. We are against the Loading Bay permit application for 33 35 Victoria Street Sheerness. People that live here can not park. The premises already has a dropped kerb and access to rear via garage and off road parking! So do not require loading bay to the detriment of people who live here. To many shops and businesses already causing parking issues in Victoria Street.

6. Ward Member Comments: I am writing to object to the loading bay 33-35 Victoria Street, Sheerness. In all the years that there has been commercial activity on this site, there has never been a need for the front to be blocked off for their use. There is a side area where loading and unloading has taken place in the past. This is a very tightly parked street, and taking out 3 parking spaces for a loading bay would cause a problem to residents nearby and in surrounding areas as cars get dispersed. I can see it causing nothing but trouble.