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Subject: S62A/2024/0056 and site address, 1 Repton Road, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 3LS,

I am for no better phrase born and raised in Sandy Park and over the last 25 I have seen plenty changes happen to the area but this has always and should always remain a retail hub for the local community. This is the history of our community and we should aim to preserve it.

I believe the conversion of the whole building to residential space would not only have an impact on already cramped & few parking spaces and traffic on Sandy Park but an extreme and detrimental impact on the bus stop that currently sits outside of 1 Repton Road as well as the hundreds of people that use it every week. The side plans would look out onto this stop, doors open onto this stop - and I fear that the council would move this stop which would make the bus inaccessible for those hundreds of people who use it all to house a few people.

I do not support this application as this building occupies a prominent and important site in our local shopping area. I believe that the loss of this commercial space would have a detrimental impact on the long term viability of Sandy Park Road to remain an attractive retail area with a range of units for future occupiers.

I recognise there is a housing crisis and support several large scale schemes in Brislington West, such as Bath Road, Castle Court, John Peer and Flowers Hill, which will deliver hundreds of new homes in our area. However, these new residents will need somewhere to shop and so it is important to safeguard our key shopping area.

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Orla Hennessy