

Application Number 17/0699 – 42 Abingdon Street, Blackpool, FY1 1DA

Use of premises as an amusement centre.

Decision: Refuse

Reasons:

1. The proposal would be contrary to Policy BH18 of the Blackpool Local Plan 2001-2016 in that it would be located in an area of the Town Centre that is not named in the policy and it would be detrimental to the character and appearance of Abingdon Street which is a busy thoroughfare in the town centre. Furthermore it would be contrary to Policies CS15 and CS17 of the Blackpool Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy 2012-2027 in that it would not help to re-establish the town centre as the first choice shopping destination for the residents of Blackpool and the Fylde coast and would not contribute to a healthy and active lifestyle for the residents of Blackpool.

2. ARTICLE 35 STATEMENT (NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK paragraph 187)

The Local Planning Authority has sought to secure a sustainable development that would improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of Blackpool but in this case there are considered factors which conflict with the National Planning Policy Framework and policies of the Blackpool Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy 2012-2027 and the Blackpool Local Plan 2001-2016, which justify refusal.