

210373 – Pipers Island Bridge Street – 12 May 2021

I am writing on behalf of the Caversham and District Residents Association. Pipers Island is a prominent site at the gateway to Caversham and, as the previous home of Mr Piper the Ferryman, has historical importance. It has the potential to offer real benefit to the community. The proposal to limit the island for private use is very regrettable and a missed opportunity to replace an indifferent building with something worthy of one of Reading's most prominent and sensitive sites. Access for building work and refuse collection is difficult and anything detracting from the important Caversham Bridge and the Conservation Area would be unacceptable. In particular, bins and refuse collection from Caversham Bridge must be avoided.