



Local Policing Support Team

Your Ref: AB/135/20/OUT

Our Ref: LM/ARU/20/39A

Date 15th December 2020

Contact Name: Lee Melbourne

Dear Mr Eastham,

RE: Land at Ford Road Arundel

Thank you for your correspondence of the 15th of December 2020, advising me of a planning application for Outline application with some matters reserved (except for access) for the development of 90 dwellings & associated amenity land. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan, affects the setting of listed buildings & affects the character & appearance of the Arundel Conservation Area at the above location, for which you seek advice from a crime prevention viewpoint.

I have had the opportunity to examine the detail within the application and in an attempt to reduce the opportunity for crime and the fear of crime I offer the following comments from a Secured by Design (SBD) perspective. SBD is owned by the UK Police service and supported by the Home Office and Building Control Departments in England (Part Q Security – Dwellings), that recommends a minimum standard of security using proven, tested and accredited products. Further details can be found at www.securedbydesign.com

The National Planning Policy Framework demonstrates the government's aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which are safe and accessible, so that crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion. With the level of crime and anti-social behaviour in the Arun District being average when compared with the rest of Sussex, I have no major concerns with the proposals, however, additional measures to mitigate against any identified local crime trends and site specific requirements should always be considered.

Given that this outline application is only to determine the means of access and to seek approval in principle, I have no detailed comment to make at this stage.

I thank you for allowing me the opportunity to comment and I look forward to being further consulted at reserved matters when I would hope to respond in more detail.

Mr Eastham
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I would also ask you to note that Sussex Police is now exploring the impact of growth on the provision of policing infrastructure over the coming years and further comment on this application may be made by our Joint Commercial Planning Manager.

The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 heightens the importance of taking crime prevention into account when planning decisions are made. Section 17 of the Act places a clear duty on both police and local authorities to exercise their various functions with due regard to the likely effect on the prevention of crime and disorder. You are asked to accord due weight to the advice offered in this letter which would demonstrate your authority's commitment to work in partnership and comply with the spirit of The Crime & Disorder Act.

Yours sincerely

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