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Your Ref: OWPC19679
Our Ref: AB/36/18/PL 30-03-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

20th August 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Demolition of existing buildings & erection of a block of 46No. sheltered apartments for the elderly (comprising 22 x one bedroom apartments & 24 x two bedroom apartments age restricted to 60 years and over), with associated access electric buggy/cycle stores & refuse bin store & 32No. parking spaces. Resubmission of AB/77/17/PL. This application affects the character and appearance of Arundel Conservation Area
Blastreat Limited & adj Greenhurst Fitzalan Road Arundel

Thank you for your internet representation made on 17th August 2018 which has been recorded as **'an objection'** with the comments as follows:

Please dont allow that piece of heritage to be demolished!

Somehow, some years ago, planning permission was granted to build retirement homes on Queen Street overlooking the river by the bridge. Those flats are the most ugly part of my view when I look South East from my home on Maltravers Street in Arundel. The building is abnormally high and disrupts the view across our beautiful town. The idea that somehow, this developer may be given permission to effectively extend this carbuncle is horrifying. Surely lessons have been learnt from the development already permitted by planners?

A democratic process has been conducted in Arundel to painstakingly agree with local residents how Arundel might develop whilst also contributing new housing in line with government growth targets. Please do not ignore the town plan.

This development is driven purely by short term profit motives. Retirement homes can be squeezed into a smaller footprint and deliver higher yields. Those of us who live in this town want a long term perspective. We want to balance our population and ensure that we have young people as part of our culture. We want the heritage of the town to be preserved, not plasterboarded over with cheaply built shoe boxes just for the elderly.

Its incredibly stressful to think, as we did, that common sense had prevailed when the last submission was unsuccessful only to find that this developer has merely returned to the table with even more of the same. 46 dwellings!!

Arundel is beautiful because there has been years of control. Please dont let this through on your watch!

Unfortunately it is not possible for the council to respond to each representation individually but your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

If the application is to be determined at the Development Control Committee and your letter has been received after the agenda has been published, you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances, it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the website or telephone for further information. Please be advised that any comments received after the the Development Control Agenda has been produced will be reported to the meeting. Please also note that only a small number of all planning applications are determined at the Development Control Committee, most are determined by officers under delegated power.

All representations are published on our website so please make sure your views are clear and only include information that you are happy for the public to view. Do not include personal information or information from third parties unless you have their permission to do so. If a complaint is received that permission has not been given for comments included about a third party, the Council reserves the right to redact/remove all relevant information. Do not include information that is defamatory or breaches equality or other legislation. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website and on the file, please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed, although this does mean that its contents will be disregarded. For details of what we do with your personal information please refer to our privacy statement comments on planning applications which is available on our website www.arun.gov.uk/planning-privacy-statements.

In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application, any representations made on the application will be automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours faithfully

Neil Crowther
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