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Your Ref: OWPC15319
Our Ref: AB/77/17/PL 31-05-2017
Please ask for:
Mr D Easton

23rd August 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Demolition of existing dwelling & buildings. Erection of a block of 45 sheltered apartments for the elderly (comprising 21 x one bedroom apartments and 24 x two bedroom apartments age restricted to 60 years and over); with associated access, electric buggy/cycle store, refuse bin store & 34 parking spaces. This application affects the setting of a Listed Building & the character & appearance of the Arundel Conservation Area.

Blastreat Limited and Adjoining Greenhurst Fitzalan Road Arundel

Thank you for your internet representation made on 23rd August 2017 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

As vicar of Arundel I strongly object to the type and scale of this proposed development for the following reasons:

1. The parish, especially north of the A27 does not need further retirement housing. However, there is a need for family housing (with gardens), some of which will be within the reach of those on lower incomes.

2. In their submission for a bypass at Arundel, Highways England stated: "'Arundel has a special environment and a unique cultural heritage". At four stories high, views of this historic town, and especially its 14th century Grade 1 listed parish church will be severely impacted, damaging the nature of the local environment in this conservation area.

3. Any development on this site should be sympathetic to the immediate surrounding area. The scale of this proposal is far from sympathetic.

4. Historic industrial buildings are an important part of a town's story and should not be swept away without good reason. Any development on this site should seek to keep, at least in part, Arundel's industrial heritage - history is about far more than castles and churches!

5. From my position in the town, I perceive that the majority view of residents is clearly that this development is an extremely bad idea. People matter, and decisions on a development such as this must take into account local feeling.

Your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

Please be aware that if the application is to be determined by the Council's Development Control committee and your letter has been received at a late stage after the Agenda has been published you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the Council's website or telephone the Council for further information. Please be advised that any comments you make that are not included within the Committee Agenda will be

reported to the Members of the Development Control committee. Please also be aware that only a small number of all planning applications received go to the Development Control Committee. Most are determined under delegated powers by Officers in which case your comments will again be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish details of your comments on the internet on the Arun District Council Planning section. Please ensure that you only provide information that you are happy will be made available in this way. If you supply information belonging to a third party, please ensure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the 'open file' please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that its contents will then be disregarded.

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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