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Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Application No: AL/55/21/PL
Site Address: Aldingbourne Post Office Westgate Street Aldingbourne PO20 3QL
Description of works: Replacement of existing shop unit. This application is in CIL Zone 2 (zero rated) as other development.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 29th June 2021 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC37796

I am writing to express very strong support for the plans, assuming they are definitely for another shop.

I live very close to the proposed site, on Hook Lane, and as the planners may know, there has been no functioning shop there since March 2020. This has made life very difficult for local residents, as it is now not possible to go shopping without a car, which obviously contributes significantly to traffic problems and air pollution locally. If a shop re-opened on the site, I would do virtually all my shopping there, and not have to use the car.

I know the previous application was for a Co-op franchise - I very much hope the lease-holder for this new application is also the Co-op, as I think their high quality (and ethical) retail offer will attract many other residents from the local area, and thereby reduce car usage considerably. In addition to the two recent housing developments built on Hook Lane (Summer Meadows and Grender Way), I note that the Council has also given permission for a 90-home development on site of the old Wings Nursery, less than a quarter of a mile from the proposed shop - again, traffic locally will be greatly increased if all the new residents are forced to shop by car. For these reasons, I would have thought the Council's sustainability objectives would be greatly enhanced by approving the application.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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you must make sure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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