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Norton Lane, Norton
Chichester
West Sussex, PO20 3NH



Directorate of Planning
Arun District Council
The Arun Civic Centre
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14th October 2020

Dear Sir

Planning Application AL/70/20/PL. West Barn, Norton Lane, PO20 3NH

I wish to register my objection to the above planning application in the Norton Lane Conservation area.

Norton Lane is a narrow and quiet road with a 20 mph speed limit. It is an environment that is totally unsuitable for a development on this scale. Norton Lane is a peaceful agricultural and residential backwater and would be spoiled by a development of this size.

The extra traffic generated would turn the road into a busy thoroughfare for the A27. This would present a hazard for the elderly residents, cyclists and dog walkers, particularly in view of the absence of footpaths, and would cause noise and air pollution in an area that is mercifully free from this.

This proposal is clearly a departure from the Arun District Development Plan and is located outside of the defined settlement boundary. It is also contrary to the Aldingbourne Neighbourhood Plan which identifies areas for additional housing, none of which are within Norton. If this application is approved, it would make a mockery of the very purpose of development and neighbourhood plans.

It is surely highly relevant that two previous planning applications by the same developer for developments in Norton in 2014 and 2016 have been turned down by the planning authority.

The developer is quite clearly eager to exploit the site for the maximum commercial benefit without any regard to the local environment.

I ask that this application be refused.

Yours faithfully,

Malcolm Gill