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To: Planning

Subject: Development Control Committee : Reference AW/211/14/PL & AW/215/14/A -The Ship Inn, Aldwick

I am writing to fully explain my objections to the following in regard to turn a historic pub into a mini-supermarket.

I am a born and bred Bognor Regis woman from the 1960's who is committed to ensuring that Aldwick in Bognor Regis retains its character and prestige, and live locally to the Ship Inn.

This is a character building which should sustain its image and availability to the local community. I myself have been a customer of the Ship since the 80's.

Have worked with the last tenants to try promote their business within the Pub and in particular to the last tenants I typed and created a menu that they wished to use. Due to Enterprise Inns being too committed to make money without the logic of understanding the performance, needs and expenses of tenants it appears to be their decision to get Morrisons to change this historic building into a mini-supermarket.

This will severely affect the community including safety on Roads and congestion. The Rank Family who I was aware of as child, sold their land which meant that Aldwick Fields was created. My parents live within Aldwick, and I moved back into the area from North Bersted to purchase a lovely bungalow in Aldwick Fields. Which is quiet, and relaxing area. Change their use of the premises will severely affect this area and I am sure could affect our property prices.

The Ship Inn's car park was never full until the day that the Ship Inn closed which resulted in a number of local residents taking up the option to park their cars there. Which avoided congestion on the Road.

As you can see from the attached which I have only used google rather than take some pictures to explain what will cause a huge problem for local residents and the safety of pedestrians. Moving the car park to to exit closer to the blind bend is a negligent act which could cause accidents and potential deaths. As certain drivers already drive incorrectly on this bend.

This Road at certain times is already busy and to start to bring additional transport and haulage into this area is not acceptable to local residents who purchase properties at a higher value because of the quality of the area at the time. Fish Lane and Aldwick Street already have some residents who park their car on these roads.

Morrisons already enough retail shops in the area so should focus their attention on those shops and their own staff who apparently some of which have been made redundant. To also add additional lighting, opening hours, extend the property, additional noise is not conducive to the local area.

The Ship Inn has been part of the Aldwick for 200 years and is not acceptable to turn this type into a cheap and horrible mini-supermarket. The local community already have available Shops to buy certain products so if not a necessary option for here. The Ship Inn should only be made available for people to run it as a pub/restaurant not a fast food takeaway or shop.

Due to the nature of the local community our local areas are clean and tidy, and walking from my property in Aldwick Fields to the Ship Inn there has never been a problem about rubbish, dog poo, or cans/bottles left around. If it was turned into a mini-supermarket it would attract other people to area who would drink alcohol, leave rubbish etc and affect all of us in this community.



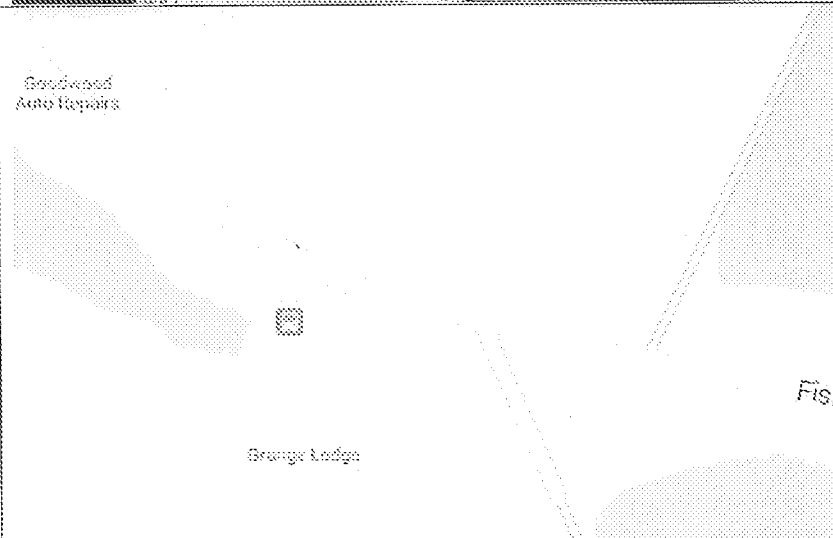
Fish Lane

Local Residents continually park to the left -- therefore any additional traffic will affect this area



Aldwick Street

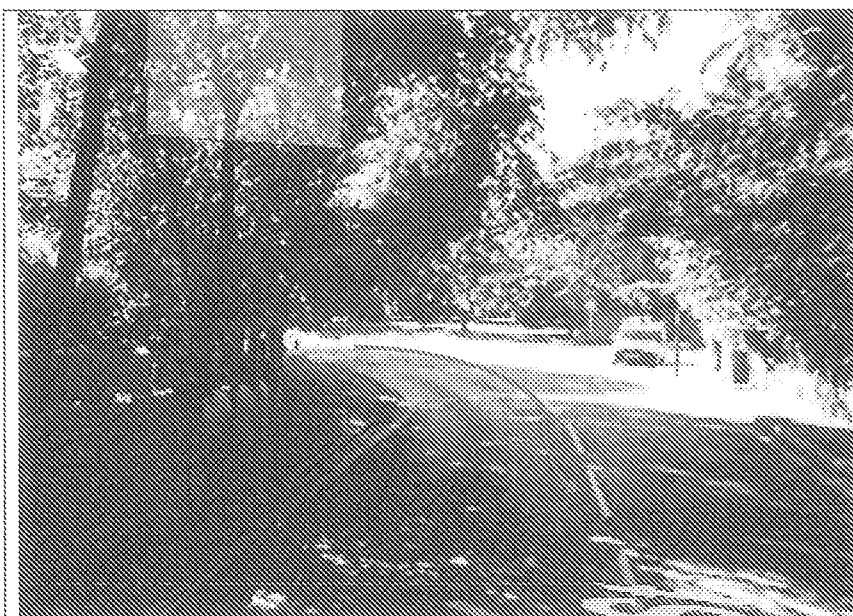
Local Residents continually park opposite the Ship Inn including visitors to the Shop, Garage etc



Traffic approaching the Ship Inn from Fish Lane

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