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From: Su Maskell [REDACTED]

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To: Simon Davis <Simon.Davis@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: AW/237/19/PL Former Ship Inn

Dear Simon,

I have recently moved back to Aldwick after 30 years of working and living in London. The area is a fabulous place to live but it has no heart. So I was delighted to learn of plans to try again to buy the ill-fated Ship Inn and develop it as a community hub. Then it appeared that yet another company wants instead to turn it into a convenience store. Convenient for who? The majority of the local population will have cars and will visit Rose Green nearby which has several perfectly good food shops.

What really concerns me is the narrowness of the road there and the tiny car park. It will be unsafe for both drivers and pedestrians if people are driving in and out of that insubstantial parking area every 30 minutes from early to late. When it's full shoppers would park in the road outside the site, causing further disruption to traffic and making crossing to the shop for pedestrians more hazardous. There is no zebra crossing and no safe place to cross (and no pavement on that side of the road).

And what about the massive delivery lorries - I understand some are 38 feet long and visiting at least 4 times a week. Plus of course the 4 deliveries using 3.5 tonne vans, 5 by 26 tonne refrigerated vehicles, a dozen 18 tonne rigid vehicles, 7 transit vans a week and four using 3.5 tonne box vans. Have you visited that road!? It will be highly dangerous as they will inevitably obstruct clear views of the road ahead for other road users, and again for any pedestrians attempting to reach the shop. The estimated number of delivery visits is way more than the 21 or 3 a day Morrisons used which cannot be necessary and, which will adversely affect the road surfaces, the local environment, and add considerably and unnecessarily to pollution in the surrounding area.

Please do not let this application pass.

Yours

Su Batty