

For the attention of
Cian Cronin - Planning Officer

"The Willows"
Poling Street
Poling
Nr. Arundel
West Sussex BN18 9PT
28th July 2013

Dear Sir

Reference A/74/13

I live in Poling as you will see - and Poling is more than a place - it is very special and we have a very caring community. Please do not let this very large development proceed, apart from ruining the peace and wild life that exists around the area it will cause havoc on the A27!!! Not only at the edge of our village but for Crossbush area and Arundel.

- Volume of traffic will be enormous added to the growing amount of usual traffic.
- The change of use of the countryside from agricultural land to industrial - losing precious land forever.

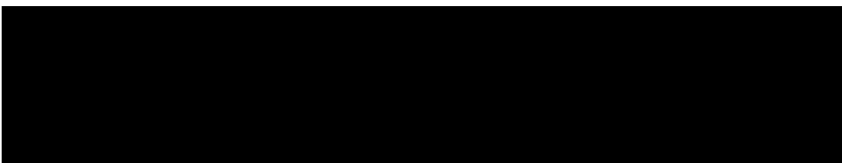
∴ The danger that the Lorries will cause for our only exit out of the village, which is already dangerous.

- The Security Lights and vehicle reversing 'beeps' will have a dramatic effect on the neighbours who live on the left side of our lane and the farm and animals.
- Possible pollution from Farqro's plant affecting farm crops and humans and animals.
- The existing site is large enough but the additional buildings will turn it into a big industrial estate - by the side of farm land, beautiful countryside and historical buildings.

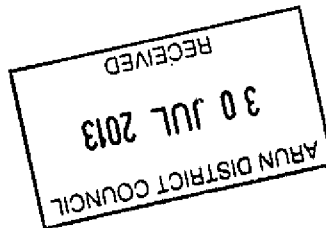
Please add my letter to the many objections.

Yours faithfully

Mrs



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28/07/2013

Dear Mr Cronin,

Firstly , may I thank you for visiting Poling on 16th July and meeting up with Phil & Lorraine Read, Philip Thomas & myself thereby allowing us to show you at first hand why there is so much opposition to the above planning application.

I have lived happily in Poling for 26 years . We are now being subjected to a potential attack on 2 fronts, Fargo to the East & a proposed Gypsy encampment to the North. It is totally outrageous that Poling could be pillaged & raped in this way!

Kim Leslie in his wonderful book " A Sense of Place" writes:

'Poling survives as a rare glimpse of what Sussex coastal plain villages used to be like before the builders flooded their fields in concrete, a precious place still in tune with its setting. Just across the fields, land hungry Rustington & Angmering show what might have been Poling's fate'.

Our village is a true oasis of tranquillity within a farming environment. It must remain so.

This is why I must resolutely oppose the above application. Why should Fargo or any other company wish to build grotesque buildings on Agricultural land within view of our village homes without giving the people of Poling any consideration. It is a joint money making exercise for Fargo, their share holders & of course, Mr Coleman, owner of the site.

I am sure the villagers of Poling have raised a myriad of objections to this application . Mine centres on the increase of traffic leaving & joining the already choked A27 trunk road. Fargo state in their application that they will increase the run -off the dual carriage & the run-on, the latter of which is non-existent, to the Vinery site. How? as there is only a matter of a few yards after the lay-by for a run off & the run-on cannot be achieved without the purchase

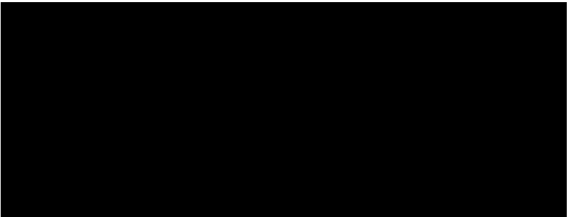
& destruction of Yarmer Cottage's garden! This needs to be re-addressed by the Highways Agency as a matter of urgency.

A few days ago a survey was conducted by some Poling villagers to monitor traffic movements off & on to the A27 from the Vinery entrance/exit. In a 12 hour period from 06.00 hrs- 18.00 hrs there were 265 vehicle movements – 142 cars, 92 vans, 20 lorries, 3 motor bikes & 8 other bikes. No articulated vehicle movements occurred (this latter movement would change considerably & introduce a most dangerous criterion for those travelling on the A27 westbound)

Kim Leslie also writes about the communal history of our tiny Parish:

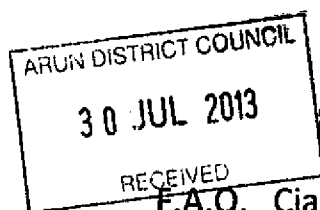
‘In the church yard rests Sir Harry Johnston, British Administrator in Africa, Explorer, Author & Painter. He retired to St John's Priory in the village in 1906 from where he pleaded for local public opinion to ‘eschew ugliness’, stop the needless destruction of landscape & that Sussex must be saved from the speculative builder. He would be happy that Poling still stands apart amongst the fields’.

We would all agree with these sentiments more so now than ever before for the future of our precious environment .



A.A. Mercer

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I write with strong opposition to the above Fargo application for the change of use of our countryside from agricultural land to industrial, in order to build a massive warehouse & more which would spill over the boundary of the existing small units at the Vineries to ruin our lovely quiet, historic village of Poling & on the edge of South Downs National Park, an area of outstanding natural beauty. Our local economy is very important but not appropriate here. It's a ludicrous proposal for this location as we must protect & control our green & pleasant land & our neighbourhood against the ever growing destruction, for all concerned & stop this application in its tracks. It would be an environmental disaster & I question the integrity of any person wanting permission to build a monstrous development such as this in our countryside? why not on an industrial site? of which there are many. Surely this is where it should be located.

I trust your Planning Committee will consider the needs & welfare of all of us living in Poling & for the preservation of our fragile coastal plain environment. There is no need for an utterly heinous site like this on the edge of our village & its community. The reason can only be financial. The site would adversely affect the country views of homes & walkers alike on the local footpaths in & around Poling. The land is flat, so an inevitable increase in noise & light pollution would have a huge & unreasonable impact on the wellbeing of residents, flora & fauna.

Finally, there is no public transport to the site so employees would need to use their own mode of transport. The current Vinery access to & fro the already overloaded A27 is very hazardous & with an inevitable increase of vehicles, there would need to be some sort of traffic calming put in place. At busy times, traffic on the west bound carriage way of the A27 can come to a halt before the turn off to the 'Vineries' & is solid to the Crossbush traffic lights & beyond to the Ford road roundabout. An unwanted rat run is then created through Blakehurst & Warningcamp.

For reasons above, I strongly object to this Application.
Mrs Jennifer Mercer.