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Your Ref: OWPC4564
Our Ref: BE/136/14/PL 07-11-2014
Please ask for:
Mr S Davis

19th December 2014

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 (as amended)

Change of use from Health & Fitness Centre (D2 Assembly & Leisure) to A1 (A1 Shops).

Unit 3 The Bognor Regis Retail Park Rowan Way Bognor Regis

Thank you for your internet representation made on 18th December 2014 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

I am objecting about the application that Fitness First to be sold and therefore closed in the New Year. With an aging population Fitness First gives a great deal of recreation and fitness to people o my age (67) and also provides a social gathering for people who are lonely and want to meet up with like minded people. With all the media on keeping fit and healthy I would have thought that a venue like Fitness First would be extended and promoted not closed to shops etc. There is no other gym in the area that has the atmosphere and facilities that Fitness First offers and senior citizens such as myself (and we are growing in number and keeping healthy for longer)feel at home in this relaxed and familiar surrounding which is reasonably priced and keeps me and others fit and healthy. This of course diminish's costs to the NHS and also lonely people can get out each day and join in activities that they enjoy and enrich their lives. The local community would suffer greatly if FF was closed and I sincerely hope that this does not happen.

Your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

Please be aware that if the application is to be determined by the Council's Development Control committee and your letter has been received at a late stage after the Agenda has been published you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the Council's website or telephone the Council for further information. Please be advised that any comments you make that are not included within the Committee Agenda will be reported to the Members of the Development Control committee. Please also be aware that only a small number of all planning applications received go the Development Control Committee. Most are determined under delegated powers by Officers in which case your comments will again be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish details of your comments on the internet on the Arun District Council Planning section. Please ensure that you only provide information that you are happy will be made available in this way. If you supply information belonging to a third party, please ensure you have their permisison to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the 'open file' please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that its contents will then be disregarded.

In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application, any representations made on the application will be

automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours faithfully

Karl Roberts
Assistant Director Planning & Economic Regeneration