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Development Control
Arun District Council
The Arun Civic Centre
Maltravers Road
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Dear Sirs,

Planning Application BE/6/18/PL

We have several comments and objections to make as follows:

Objections:

1. It is stated in supporting documentation that the opening hours of Bruce Dixon Car and Van Rental will be 08.30 to 18.00 six days a week with Sunday opening 10.00 until 16.00 when necessary. The current occupants of this site, Caravan & Motor Home Services, are open from 09.00 to 17.00 five days a week, with Saturday and Sunday opening from 10.00 to 16.00. The increased opening hours for Bruce Dixon would be totally unacceptable.

In the planning application for caravan and motor home sales there is a section quoting "it is recognised that the site lies adjacent to residential properties and that there is potential to harm amenity outside of typical working hours. For this reason it is proposed to limit opening hours to between 09.00 and 17.30 Monday to Friday, 09.00 to 17.00 on Saturdays and 10.00 to 16.00 on Sundays and Bank Holidays. No deliveries will be allowed on Sundays or Bank Holidays."

2. Any approved business hours must be STRICTLY adhered to as returning vehicles may be returned after business hours. Where will late return vehicles be parked? They absolutely must not be parked in the layby adjacent to our property as vehicles other than saloon cars obscure traffic approaching four household drives and make it extremely dangerous to exit our drives.
3. We live on, arguably, the busiest, noisiest and most polluting road in Bognor Regis, so the prospect of cars and vans for hire adjacent to our rear garden is depressing. Our back garden is for social and leisure time and is our only respite from traffic noise, so vans reversed up to our boundary with movements throughout the day with associated noise and pollution is totally unacceptable.
4. Any signage must be kept to a minimum so as not to detract further from a residential area.

5. It is stated in the application that 17 cars/vans will be parked up against our boundary fence, but according to the current web site for Bruce Dixon Car and Van Rental they also hire trucks. Where will these be sited?
6. According to the application the site cannot be seen from a public road, public footpath or public land. The site is now highly visible from Chalcraft Lane, the entrance to the cemetery and the cemetery itself. There will be no peace for relatives visiting graves as ALL trees, shrubs/hedges along the entire length of east boundary of the whole site have been completely destroyed.
7. There will be far more vehicle movements on and off site than currently undertaken by the Caravan and Motor Homes business
8. The question about breeding birds has been answered correctly as there are absolutely no trees, shrubs or birds left for nesting, as mentioned in paragraph 2(a).

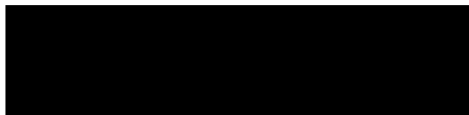
We have the following further comments to make: When the Inspector granted permission for Caravan and Motor Homes on this site, he stipulated that the shrubbery area adjacent to properties 98, 96, 94 and 92 must be retained. This is a must.

It is stated that the size of cars will be substantially less than the size of permitted touring caravans and motor homes currently permitted; this is so, but movements and noise will be substantially increased and have a greater impact on the adjacent neighbours of the site.

In the fifteen years living in our home we have had to remain vigilant to watch for one unsuitable application after another. This is just another example of lack of concern and respect for neighbours of the nursery site.

Yours faithfully

Simon Harris


Joan Harris


Simon J. Harris