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Your Ref: OWPC6908
Our Ref: BN/29/15/PL 22-07-2015
Please ask for:
Richard Temple

10th September 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Solar park including the erection of solar arrays, inverters, transformers, equipment housing, security fencing, internal tracks, ancillary equipment & ecological mitigation. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan.

Land at Barnham Court Barnham

Thank you for your internet representation made on 10th September 2015 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

I object to the planning application for solar panels at Barnham Court Farm, on the basis that the only available access road to the site, Church Lane, is totally unsuitable for the volume and size of traffic that will be engendered during the construction period.

The entrance into Church Lane, from Barnham Road, is heavily parked by commuters and residents. It is a tight entrance and the lane bends immediately after the Murrell Arms, making it impossible to see vehicles coming out of Church Lane until one has pulled into it. Essentially 3 roads meet at a very narrow point right by the Murrell Arms. The sight line into the lane is short and it is impossible to know if another vehicle is approaching until it is almost upon one. I am most concerned that large lorries or HGV's entering the lane where it is heavily parked and so narrow will cause obstruction and be dangerous.

In a letter to local residents from BNRG Renewables, the developers state that their lorries can use what they refer to as a "lay by" in Church Lane to wait, or to pass each other. This is misleading- there are no lay-bys in Church lane. There is a stretch of lane near The Old Vicarage where the verge has been worn away by passing vehicles - it is "off the black" and is already in a poor state, being very uneven and full of potholes. The tarmac will become even more degraded with numerous heavy vehicles using it continually over several months. It is the narrowest stretch of the lane. I really do not see how 2 large lorries will be able to pass each other there.

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 permission 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
Director Planning & Economic Regeneration