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Your Ref: OWPC16998
Our Ref: BR/10/18/PL 10-01-2018
Please ask for:
Richard Temple

24th January 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Change of use from shop (A1 Shop) to micro-brewery (A4 Drinking Establishment). This application affects the character & appearance of The Steyne, Bognor Conservation Area.

Unit 4 Blake House 71 High Street Bognor Regis

Thank you for your internet representation made on 23rd January 2018 which has been recorded as '**support**' with the comments as follows:

Having lived in Middleton-On-Sea and worked for Lloyds Bank in Bognor Regis for many years before retiring, I am very familiar with its pubs, many of which have closed over the past three decades to the detriment of the town and those that want to be able to enjoy the simple pleasures of a drink and chat in a quiet civilised environment without the distractions of TV and loud music.

There are many pubs that try to meet all needs, however conflicting: Sports TV, gaming machines, pool, Juke-boxes but precluding conversation or a quite pint. In contrast a Micropub does just one thing, in one small room, simply and well - selling cask-conditioned ale.

Over the ten years they have been in existence, Micropubs have gained the reputation of being well-run, civilised establishments, good neighbours and community hubs.

There are now 4 micro pubs in Worthing, 1 in Lancing, 1 in Shoreham, 1 in Selsey, 1 in Hove and one has just received planning permission to open in Chichester.

Bognor Regis is the largest town in Western Sussex and clearly needs to add a Micropub to the list its undoubted assets.

I strongly commend this application"

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

Neil Crowther
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