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3 Farm Cottages

Shripney Road

Bognor Regis

West Sussex PO22 9LN

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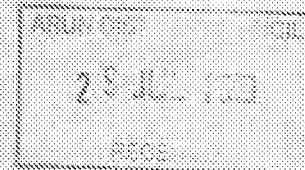
Head of Planning Services

Arun District Council

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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: UK HEALTH DIRECT LTD. Shripney Road, Bognor Regis West Sussex PO22 – CONTAINER ON FORECOURT

Your ref: BR/14/19/PL

Enough is enough.

Yes I am frustrated, upset and angry - what is taking Arun District Council such an inordinately long time to deal with the proposed siting of the massive ugly blue container which insinuates itself into my Grade II Listed Cottage home via my kitchen window and that of a bedroom, even to the extent of changing the colour of my kitchen walls from grey to blue due to the reflection? The kitchen window requires replacement as the workings and frame are broken – quite a considerable expense to be dealt with which has hitherto remained unsettled because I do not intend paying for something which exacerbates the intrusion of the object in question.

On advice from a local Councillor I initially I sent Arun District Council a letter dated 3rd December 2018. On 3rd March 2019 on telephoning for an update I was told they did not have my letter. Therefore on that day I hand delivered a further copy to your office in Littlehampton. It later transpired my letter had been filed under reference ENF/421/18 which, I was informed, apparently meant "it was closed within an earlier section." I was then informed my letter would be included when the application for retention of the container goes to Planning. I was further informed if it goes to Committee that would not be until 1st April 2019 and that I would be informed by letter as I can ask to be allowed to speak at the meeting. The person dealing with this, called "Amber", was away from the office until Tuesday 12th March 2019; meanwhile apparently "Sam" would ensure my letter would be included in the up to date file and she would telephone me on the afternoon of 8th March 2019 to confirm, which then meant I should be able to view it on computer with other peoples comments, but this is not so.

I feel it is grossly unfair to expect me (or any further residents of the cottage for that matter) to tolerate such a horrendous, enormous object outside my kitchen and bedroom windows. It is affecting my health and wellbeing and enjoyment of my home. Everybody including neighbours are shocked and appalled that it is still here despite Bognor Regis Planning Council agreeing unanimously that it is a total eyesore and saying it should not be allowed to remain. I did not buy my cottage in December 2017 afflicted by such an industrial outlook and prior to the container being there I could enjoy a much more open outlook. Although the wall is quite high behind it is of pale brick and in itself is inoffensive – being a greater distance away from my window and of course lower than the container.

If the container had been in situ when I viewed the Grade II Listed Cottage I would NEVER have considered buying it. It is not cheap to live in a thatched home, it incurs very high insurance premiums, restrictions of what one can do and considerable costs are involved with regular protection and attention to timbers etc. This is, according to Grade II Listed status, a building of interest in the local community and originally I was proud to be the owner/custodian of this pretty cottage – but now I feel I am living on an industrial site rather than on a residential road.

I am attaching a photograph. Tell me if this would be your preferred view out of a kitchen window of a home which you bought with your hard earned money.

I am waiting for a sensible decision from the Planning Office. I no longer am tolerating this situation and the Press have already taken photographs (at their request) to pursue the matter.

I have heard there has been a suggestion the offending monstrosity should be painted a different colour – which beggars belief! Who came up with that idea – someone who believes paint is a shrinking agent?

UK Health Direct occupies a building with a driveway presumably for parking and/or deliveries and in my opinion if the premises are not large enough they should look elsewhere. As previously stated, I already lose access to the side of my property for general maintenance and window cleaning because UK Health Direct have locked gates from 5 pm Monday to Thursday until 9 am in the morning and from 12 noon on Friday over the whole weekend until 9 am on Monday. Where is my concession from them? It should be a give and take situation to suit both parties with a party boundary wall.

I look forward to your early response.


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enc: 1 photograph

CC: Nigel Lynn, Chief Executive, Arun District Council, Littlehampton.

CC: Dr. Walsh, Leader of the Council.

CC: Councillor Ms. Jeanette Warr.

CC: Rt. Hon. Nick Gibb MP

