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To whom it may concern:-

Unit 11Arun Business Park
Shripney Road
Bognor Regis West Sussex

We at unit 11 have been on Arun Business Park for 15 years and seen a large volume of traffic coming on and off the site, sometimes blocking access to premises. As with some Industrial Parks we are not a through road it is a dead end, as you are aware, this creates problems with large lorries turning and maneuvering. This is only a small Business Park, which can cause problems getting out onto the A29. There have been several accidents with lorries and cars coming onto the site, accidents occur when drivers are trying to maneuver their vehicles in a very limited space. As all the units are now occupied unlike when we moved here 15 years ago quite a few units were empty, so we have seen the volume of traffic increase dramatically.

We do not leave vehicles out over night, if we do not have room for vehicles they are stored by other companies over night, this eliminating the risk of vandalism and theft, and visa versa, help keeping Arun Business Park clean and tidy and free from trouble.

Unit 11 has always been an industrial unit and even when we moved in we had to apply to Arun District Council for a change of use from a B1 to a B2 to enable us to carry out on site welding. If unit 24 is to be used for M.O.T. and M.O.T. repairs, which would entail welding, this surely would have to have a change of use to a B2. For them to also do welding.

Unit 24, as you already know, has always been a retail outlet. We do not want to appear to be against any sort of business coming into this empty unit but consider that there are enough motor trade companies already on the site. And would welcome a retail outlet.

W.G. Gustar and G. Ide
Directors of G.T.R. Autobodies

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The Assistant Director Planning and Economic Regeneration
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August 13th 2014

Dear Sirs

Reference: **BR/167/14/PL UNIT 24 ARUN BUSINESS PARK**
Address: **UNIT 24 ARUN BUSINESS PARK BOGNOR REGIS**

The Directors of the Arun Business Park are aware of a planning application for a MOT, service and repair garage on the Business Park.

May it be stated for the record that Unit 24 Arun Business Park was last used as a replacement window factory/showroom and not a car Autocentre. The Autocentre was not a workshop it was a retail shop selling audio, caravan, motor car and bicycle accessories. There were no workshop facilities to do with this business/unit whatsoever,

Where we are a relatively small Business Park, it is felt that another motor vehicle repairer on this site will be detrimental to the other motor trade businesses which are currently established here.

Collectively as business people we are not adverse to competition, but by introducing yet another motor trade business onto the Arun Business Park it will increase the presence of the motor trade to 7/8 working units. That equates to nearly 30% of a like industry all vying for the same clientele. Although we do not have any personal objection to the prospective applicant, this Business Park requires more diversity to create an even balance of trades.

You are of course aware of the implications of another motor business being granted the right to trade at the Arun Business Park. The nature of this business itself will naturally generate a high input and output of vehicles. This will inevitably create further congestion of an already busy site. The Amenity Tip alone has a continual stream of traffic throughout the day, with cars, vans and lorries using the main thoroughfare. It is not uncommon sight for the Amenity Tip traffic to be gridlocked out of the Arun Business Park along and along the A29 Shripney Road. The Business Park with its owners and customers do find difficulty with parking on many occasions. Each unit is only allocated a certain amount of parking spaces. With a higher volume of site users that will be expected, it will be a case of a 'Park where you can find mentality' in a small and over populated area.

Pollution, both airborne and noise is also another major contributory factor which needs to be addressed. Firstly, Carbon Monoxide and Diesel Particulates from vehicle exhausts will be increased over this site with another motor trade related business. They cannot be contained and filtered like spray paints and will be entering the atmosphere!
As there are manufactured goods in this part of the business park, contamination will be inevitable. There are sensitive employees neighbouring the proposed applicant's workshop, who ultimately could be disturbed by the noise emitted during the working day which would only be expected from this type of working environment.

With these points raised and put forward, The Directors of the Arun Business Park appreciate the concern of how we and other businesses that are already here feel about another motor trader coming onto our site.

Yours sincerely

