ADVERTISEMENT CONSENT REPORT

REF NO: BR/179/08/A

LOCATION: 91 Hawthorn Road
BOGNOR REGIS

PROPOSAL: Application for 1 no. internally illuminated free standing double sided display unit.

SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION	As above
SITE AREA	N/A
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT DENSITY (NET)	N/A
TOPOGRAPHY	Predominantly flat
TREES	None
BOUNDARY TREATMENT	None
SITE CHARACTERISTICS	Footpath forward of terrace of properties
CHARACTER OF LOCALITY	Shopping parade

RELEVANT SITE HISTORY

REPRESENTATIONS

Representations received:
Bognor Regis Town Council
Bognor Regis Town Council: No objection
Comments on Representations received:
Noted.

CONSULTATIONS

Head of Highways and Transport
Southern Water Services Ltd
Consultations responses received:
Southern Water: No comment

County Highways: No objection, subject to informative

Does not appear this sign is in a location where it could obstruct the highway. Developments

of this kind are unlikely to cause large increase in pedestrian traffic in area.

Comments on Consultation responses:

Comments noted

POLICY CONTEXT

Designation applicable to site:
Within Built Up area boundary

DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICIES

West Sussex Structure Plan:	LOC1	Locational Strategy
	DEV1	High Quality Development
Arun District Local Plan:	GEN7	The Form of New Development
	GEN33	Light Pollution

PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE

PPS1	Delivering Sustainable Development
PPG19	Outdoor Advertisement Control
	Supplementary Planning Guidance for Advertisements.

POLICY COMMENTARY

The above policies combine to describe the criteria against which the application will be assessed particularly with regard to visual amenity, aural amenity, public safety, quality of the environment and impact upon the character of the local area.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND/OR LEGISLATIVE BACKGROUND

Regulation 3(1)(a)(b), 3(2)(a)(b) and 4(3) of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 states:-

"3(1) A local planning authority shall exercise its powers under these Regulations in the interests of amenity and public safety, taking into account -
(a) The provision of the development plan, so far as they are material; and
(b) Any other relevant factors.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1)(b) -
(a) Factors relevant to amenity include the general characteristics of the locality, including the presence of any feature of historic, architectural, cultural or similar interest;
(b) Factors relevant to public safety include -
(i) The safety of persons using any highway, railway, waterway, dock, harbour or aerodrome (civil or military);
(ii) Whether the display of the advertisement in question is likely to obscure or hinder the ready interpretation of any traffic sign, railway sign or aid to navigation by water or air;
(iii) Whether the display of the advertisement in question is likely to hinder the operation of any device used for the purpose of security or surveillance or for measuring the speed of any vehicle.

4(3) In determining an application for consent for the display of advertisements, the local

planning authority may have regard to any material change in circumstances likely to occur within the period for which the consent is requested.

OTHER MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS

It is considered that there are no other material considerations to warrant a decision otherwise than in accordance with the Development Plan and/or legislative background.

CONCLUSIONS

The advertisement will enhance the vitality and viability of the shopping parade by providing a point of interest for shoppers. Its scale is in proportion to the immediate buildings which form the shopping parade. The location of the advert is not considered to obstruct the highway or provide a visual distraction to highway users. It is therefore recommended that advertisement consent be approved, subject to the following conditions.

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE CONDITIONALLY

1 No advertisement is to be displayed without the permission of the owner of the site or any other person with an interest in the site entitled to grant permission.

Reason: As required by Regulation 14(1)(a) of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.

2 No advertisement shall be sited or displayed so as to-
(a) endanger persons using any highway, railway, waterway, dock, harbour or aerodrome (civil or military);
(b) obscure, or hinder the ready interpretation of, any traffic sign, railway signal or aid to navigation by water or air; or
(c) hinder the operation of any device used for the purpose of security or surveillance or for measuring the speed of any vehicle

Reason: As required by Regulation 14(1)(a) of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.

3 Any advertisement displayed, and any site used for the display of advertisements, shall be maintained in a condition that does not impair the visual amenity of the site.

Reason: As required by Regulation 14(1)(a) of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.

4 Any structure or hoarding erected or used principally for the purpose of displaying advertisements shall be maintained in a condition that does not endanger the public.

Reason: As required by Regulation 14(1)(a) of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.

5 Where an advertisement is required under these Regulations to be removed, the site shall be left in a condition that does not endanger the public or impair visual amenity.

Reason: As required by Regulation 14(1)(a) of the Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007.

6 INFORMATIVE: The applicant is advised to obtain the proper licences and liability insurance (for a sign abutting the public highway) from the West Sussex County Council Highway Authority.