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28th November 2025

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 Schedule 2 (As amended)

Application No: BR/197/25/PD

Site Address: Allestree Court Walton Road Bognor Regis PO21 1NN

Description of works: Application for prior approval under Schedule 2 Part 20 Class A for the construction of one additional storey creating 2 No. additional dwellings.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 27th November 2025 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC80049

I object to this application.

1. The proposed parking arrangements will not be sufficient for any more flats. The occupants of some of the existing flats have more than one car and it is highly likely that occupants of any new flats may also have more than one car and will be given the expectation they can park "off-road". The plan suggests marking out spaces for each flat, but this will not help. None of the current occupiers use their garages to store their cars because their cars are too big to fit inside them, therefore they park in the accessway in front of the garages.

It is currently impossible for anyone to use their garage for its intended purpose because there is no room to manoeuvre around other people's cars. Some occupiers will therefore have to park in the road, which will add to congestion and pollution.

2. Having an additional flat above my own will result in increased noise levels which will impact my right to quiet enjoyment of my property as specified in my lease.

3. The existing stairwell and porch/front door area are dark, narrow, outdated and in need of improvement. To extend the staircase further will exacerbate logistical problems for moving furniture in and out of the building, especially as there is no fire escape and there are still no plans to provide one. The proposed extension could be hazardous in the event of an emergency, particularly for those living in the additional storey who would have further to go to reach the only available exit.

4. The existing building was designed and built in the 1970s and will not be improved by the extension. The finished project would look out of place and would not add any appeal to a building which it is admitted in the

plans has no architectural significance, i.e., it will not disguise the fact that there would be 2 odd-looking new flats on top of 5 old ones. The proposal does not appear to give the building any "green credentials": the new flats might have higher EPC ratings, but the original flats will continue to have poorer ratings due to their age.

5. It would have been courteous if the freeholder had communicated their plans with the lessees prior to this submission. After all, it is the lessees, and not the freeholder, who will have to suffer severe disruption and inconvenience during construction. We are invested stakeholders in this property, and I have some concerns about the structural integrity of the existing building being compromised if the project goes ahead.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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