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Your Ref: OWPC16895
Our Ref: BR/288/17/PL 24-10-2017
Please ask for:
Richard Temple

17th January 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Rear extension to storage & workshop areas & roof extension
Main Unit Rear of Holmlea Town Cross Avenue Bognor Regis

Thank you for your internet representation made on 16th January 2018 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

*Since CW Bikes LTD moved in to the buildings at the rear of my property much pleasure and enjoyment I took from my house and garden have diminished, I am concerned that with more space the business will have more work and staff and this will increase my present discomfort that derives from the business. Planning permission for houses to be built in the area in question as the plans were deemed to be out of keeping with the Victorian style of the houses in Essex Road; this proposal is not sympathetic to this either. When CW bikes were preparing to move in to the buildings it was considered, by the owner of the business, to be acceptable to pull down the Victoria rat trap wall that ran along the rear of all the gardens CW Bikes butts onto. This was down without informing, let alone consulting the residents, and no consideration was given to those of us with children, pets or plants. The wall was replaced by a very high prison type fence that offered no privacy to the gardens. They have also installed security lights that shine into our houses and gardens. Neighbours were originally told that the buildings would be used for storage only. This is not the case and motorbikes engines are revved, full throttle repeatedly and for prolonged periods, throughout the week and weekends including some Sundays. There has been noise, hammering and grinding tools, going on past midnight. These noises pervade the garden and also the house. The staff there continuously communicate through offensive language, not acceptable when young children are at play. I have previously tried to address noise going on after 8pm, prior interactions the owner had informed me he could make as much noise as he wanted before 6pm. When they were finally able to hear me trying to communicate as they had stopped revving the engine the owner gave me a dismissive wave and said, 'yeah, yeah, it has stopped now'. I tried to remind him that he had said 6pm but he told me to 'f*** off'. I asked that he should please not swear at me, but he told me he was on his land, didn't want to talk to me and I should f*** off. This is the usual response so no point in trying to address things. Staff have cut down overhanging tree branches from my neighbour's garden, dropping the waste into my garden then reaching to cut more off. I was blown kisses and told 'it isn't much of a garden anyway is it' and 'I will come and cut yours now'. I have also witnessed staff leaving at the end of the day on the motorbikes and pulling wheelies down Town Cross Avenue, more staff more potential for this clear disregard of safety and consideration to the residential area being scorned. More space will, I imagine, require more deliveries, more lorries blocking up Town Cross Avenue. This, even though a reason given for taking down the Victorian wall rather than building up from it for security reasons, was that delivery lorries would need to gain access to the site and the fence erected gave some inches further width.*

The above are just some examples of the disregard and, at times intimidating treatment offered to us. My gardens used to hold bird song and relaxation, even when Precision Engineering were based there, my house a refuge from the outside world. The area is

residential, not industrial, CW Bikes demonstrate no respect to this whatsoever, the bigger the business is I fear the more intolerable the situation will become.

I fear more capacity will mean more work, more noise and more staff, all of which will increase the above. Privacy, peace, pleasure, enjoyment and security all impacted by this proposal should it go ahead along with further impact on the overall look of the gardens.

The idea of being overlooked by the business and further assaulted by noise makes me feel extremely distressed.

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

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