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2 Sussex St
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Your Ref: OWPC5769
Our Ref: BR/79/15/PL 31-03-2015
Please ask for:
Mr S Davis

20th May 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Change of Use from B1 (Business) to D1 (Non residential Institutions) & minor external alterations to entrance & windows.

March House 2 Sussex Street Bognor Regis

Thank you for your internet representation made on 19th May 2015 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

COMMENT part 1

Our charitable objectives are:

i. Advance the education of persons suffering, or having suffered, from mental health problems (the "Service Users") in the West Sussex area, in particular but not exclusively by, the provision and assistance in the provision of training facilities and workshops with the aim of improving their quality of life;

ii. Advance the education of the public in matters relating to mental health and Service Users' needs, through those methods mentioned and in such other ways as the Charity may determine.

March House is our only office and CAPITAL currently supports approximately 240 people in West Sussex of which 40% live in the Arun District. CAPITAL is free to join for adults ("service users" known to us as "members") who experience a wide range of mental health problems with no maximum age limit. Many also have learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some are ex-offenders. Most of these people are socially excluded and have no other social support in West Sussex. CAPITAL provides members with a social meeting once a month in 3 areas where refreshments, lunch and travel is provided for free. They are also able to attend the office for an art workshop and a "drop in" once a week plus a photography workshop twice a month, all for free. Members also work with the NHS, West Sussex County Council Social Services and all universities on training of professional staff, research and consultation on legislation. In recent years CAPITAL has worked with the NHS by placing some members to work directly with patients on the wards of the 3 mental health hospitals in West Sussex. CAPITAL is managed by staff and trustees who are all "service users".

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

Karl Roberts
Assistant Director Planning & Economic Regeneration