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March House
2 Sussex St
Bognor Regis
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Your Ref: OWPC5768
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:

INTRODUCTION

The CAPITAL PROJECT TRUST is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee. Companies House number 4157375 and Charity Number 1087420. Currently CAPITAL is the tenant occupying the whole of the ground floor of March House.

OBJECTION

Our objection to the planning application is based on the fact that there are already 5 dental practices within central Bognor Regis plus the White House which backs onto March House in Belmont St. Many of these practices are advertising for new patients both NHS and private. It is also evident that the "applicant" is anonymous as the application is from 2 agents, which seems to be acceptable but not transparent. The application states "the applicant is an established dental practice currently based in the town centre" and "The adjacent building (indicated as The White House on the accompanying location plan) is also used as a dental surgery - - ". We are sure that local residents and independent dental practices in particular would like to know if the anonymous applicant plans to be in competition with the White House in Belmont St or if it is in fact an expansion to the White House currently owned by Oasis Healthcare Ltd, who already own 300 other dental practices in the UK? We feel that this application is based on expansion rather than accessibility for patients, particularly elderly, infirm and disabled. The application shows improved door access to waiting and reception areas plus 2 surgeries which will be accessible to such patients on the ground floor, but 3 surgeries upstairs will need to be accessed by stairs. We can also for-see severe congestion in Sussex St as the north section is one-way. Changing the use of March House from B1 to D1 will be adding to the shortage of office space that already exists in Bognor Regis.

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