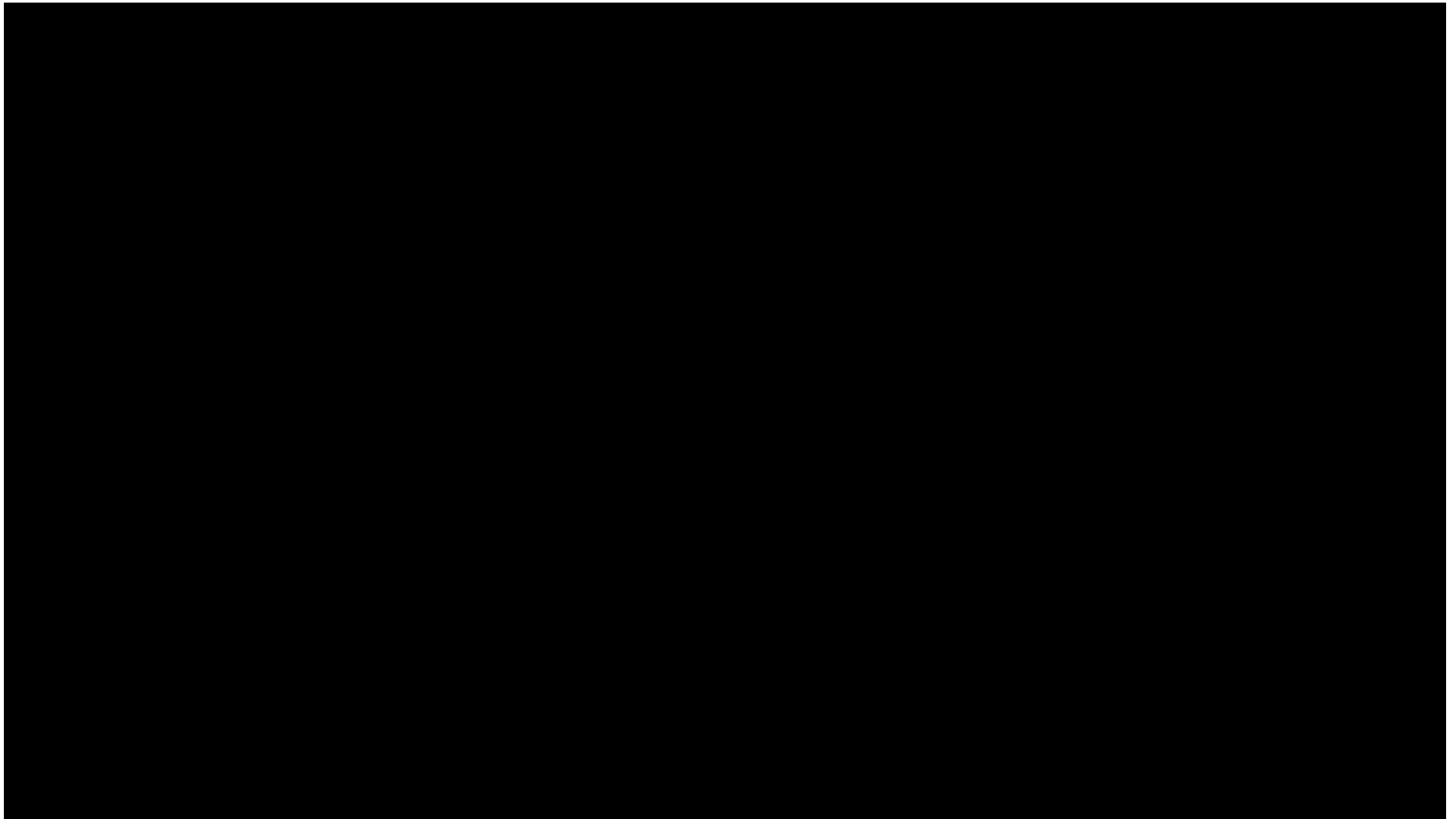


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From: Jasper Goodheart [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 March 2021 17:13

To: Simon Davis <Simon.Davis@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: Application_Ref_No=BR/8/21/RES

Hi - I would like to put forward my position on the proposed demolition of the Richmond Arms pub, No. 224 London Road.

The highest priority is the number of proposed flats. There are too many people already living around the top of London Road, Upper Bognor Road and the adjoining Henry Street. As a result, on-road parking is already a nightmare as it is. — In addition, there is already a severe issue with flooding on these roads. Putting extra strain on the Victorian drainage system will just result in more flooding situations.

So, as a result of that above comment, 6 flats using the building currently standing, converted, would be a much better solution than the proposed 10.

Another top priority for me personally is the possibility of losing yet another piece of historic Bognor. The Richmond Arms has stood its ground as first the stationmaster's house when the railway itself was in its infancy, then as the current pub it is today for well over 130 years. (((There's a great characterful shot I've found standing from 1892, overlooking an outgoing steam train))).

Though the building itself might not trade as a pub, the character and the structure of the building should at least be maintained. A conversion would be a lot better for all involved, rather than a straight-up demolition – along with the prevention of a massive headache of building work/roadworks clogging up an already awkward stretch of road...

Lastly, the proliferation of yet more people living in this small area would affect the already tiny green space we have around the place. The aforementioned extra traffic on the roads issue, car parking spaces and simply more people hanging out round the area which would inevitably bring more noise into the equation.

To summarise:

- Too many car park issues already, let alone wilfully piling on more for the sake of filling a property developer's pockets...
- Flooding issues already prevalent will increase exponentially with more people living in the same area.
- Keeping the character of the building. — Something I find very important due to the horrendous gutting of the town's historic buildings already.
- Do not demolish(!)
- Extra noise with too many people moving in.

Thank you for your time,

Best regards,

Jasper Goodheart