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Director of Planning
Arun District Council
1 Maltravers Rd
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Dear Sir

Butlins Resort, Bognor Regis
Permitted Development Prior Approval for Demolition

I have submitted an application under Planning Portal reference PP-08683996 seeking Prior Approval for removal of the Skyline tensile enclosure at the resort. Please see the accompanying identification plan 9112/WOO/BG/SK004 and location plan 5128/P101B which identify the removal. The application fee of £96.00 has been paid online.

A notice has been placed on site close to the main entrance where it is publicly visible.

Essentially, the existing tensile enclosure building needs to be replaced, the fabric is nearing the end of its design life and is the subject of very detailed monitoring which confirms the need for replacement. Butlins have also been closely monitoring weather conditions at the resort, in particular wind gusts, speed and direction, with deterioration of the fabric predicted wind strength represents a significant concern for the continued future use of the Skyline. Direct replacement with a similar structure in the same position has been investigated and it is not an appropriate solution, not least due to the very significant impact this would have on operation of the resort. Therefore, the best option is replacement in a separate structure which can be completed prior to removal of the existing so that resort attractions can be maintained.

The existing "king pins" that support the tensile enclosure will remain together with some supporting cables.

The tensile enclosure will only be removed once the replacement facility is in place and once the building facades exposed by its removal have been weather proofed. A detailed programme for the removal has not yet been settled but this is expected to be early in 2021.



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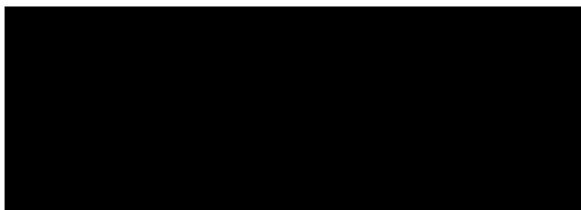
The existing Skyline is a critical part of the resort and its activities, its removal will be a complex and delicate operation that takes place in the very centre of the resort, which depending upon the precise scheduling may be whilst the resort is open to guests. Indeed, it is Butlins own resort guests that are most likely to experience any potential disruption from the removal. The need to conduct the removal with the utmost care and full regard to all health and safety issues will be of paramount importance to Butlins and their appointed contractors. It will also be necessary to protect the amenities of any guests at the site by working within an agreed pattern of hours and carefully controlling noise, vehicle and plant movements.

A copy of the site notice as displayed on site is included in the submission.

A separate planning application will be made for the replacement building.

I trust that Prior Approval can be granted but please contact me with any queries.

Yours faithfully



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