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Your Ref: OWPC18736
Our Ref: CM/12/18/PL 10-04-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

12th June 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

The regularisation of operating hours 24hrs a day, 7 days per week at Units J1, J2, U1 and Z, new extension covering the existing courtyard area and new acoustic metal cladding to the southern facade of the existing workshop at Unit J1 and J2; new demountable wall adjacent to the existing fence surrounding the guillotine enclosure at Unit U1. This application also lies within the parish of Ford.

Unit J1, J2, U1 & Z, Rudford Industrial Estate Ford Road Ford

Thank you for your internet representation made on 11th June 2018 which has been recorded as **'an objection'** with the comments as follows:

This letter and objection is addressed to the case office - Ms Anita Gardner

I have already raised an objection to the planning application CM/12/18/PL, for which I believe you are the assigned case officer. I am now somewhat alarmed to see from some of the documentation that has been posted since I raised my objection, that there seems to be some degree of 'behind the scenes' negotiation between yourself and the applicants. If this is the case I believe that this is outside the remit of planning, which should remain unbiased and independent. Your 'suggesting' that the applicant amend the hours of operation 'to achieve a favourable outcome', is I believe wholly inappropriate and demonstrates an unacceptable degree of favour towards the applicants at the expense of those of us who have raised objections.

Austin Divall and the dreadful noise they make have been the subject of numerous complaints by local residents for many years. Their planning application CM/12/18/PL is simply an attempt by them to get permission to break the rules and regulations that they have been flouting for years anyway; rules and regulations that Arun District Council have totally failed to uphold. This company should have its current hours of operation restricted and the appalling noise they make considerably reduced. It is inconceivable that they are seriously trying to expand their operations at the expense of local residents who have a right to peace and quiet. It is just as unacceptable to find that the case officer for Arun District Council is making suggestions to them in order for them to achieve a favourable outcome to their planning application.

Of course Mrs L Rudd supports this application, as she and her family have a vested financial interest in the Rudford Industrial Estate. Yes she is right, and we did know that there was an industrial estate on our doorsteps when we moved here, but we were expecting a light industrial estate, not one that at times produces enough of a noise for us to suspect that there is a steel ship builders just across the road from where we live.

Unfortunately it is not possible for the council to respond to each representation individually but your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

If the application is to be determined at the Development Control Committee and your letter has

been received after the agenda has been published, you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances, it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the website or telephone for further information. Please be advised that any comments received after the the Development Control Agenda has been produced will be reported to the meeting. Please also note that only a small number of all planning applications are determined at the Development Control Committee, most are determined by officers under delegated power.

All representations are published on our website so please make sure your views are clear and only include information that you are happy for the public to view. Do not include personal information or information from third parties unless you have their permission to do so. Do not include information that is defamatory or breaches equality or other legislation. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website and on the file, please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed, although this does mean that its contents will be disregarded. For details of what we do with your personal information please refer to our privacy statement comments on planning applications which is available on our website www.arun.gov.uk/planning-privacy-statements.

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

Neil Crowther
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