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Your Ref: OWPC18765
Our Ref: CM/12/18/PL 10-04-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

13th 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 to 24hrs a day commencing 6am Monday to 6pm Saturday with no Sunday operation at Units J1, J2 & Z; new extension covering the existing courtyard area & new acoustic metal cladding to southern facade of existing workshop at Unit J1 & J2; new demountable wall adjacent to 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 12th June 2018 which has been recorded as **'an objection'** with the comments as follows:

This amended planning application from Austin Divall is no better for local residents than their original application and I am still strongly opposed to it. This company should not be permitted any operations outside of normal working hours (Monday-Friday 8am.-5.00pm.). Austin Divall and the appalling noise they make have been the subject of many complaints from local residents for many years and their current hours of operation should be restricted and the loud and unacceptable noises they create substantially reduced. Their current operations are inconsistent with what local residents should expect from a light industrial estate and the banging and clanking of metal on metal often makes it sound as though we have a steel ship builders yard across the road from us. It is inconceivable that local residents may be forced to endure these unacceptable noises outside of normal working hours and we the local residents have a right to peace and quiet when we have to sleep. Austin Divall should have their operations properly restricted and controlled. If they need longer working hours and to be able to make more noise, they can relocate elsewhere away from a residential area.

There is also the unresolved issue of why the Arun District Council case officer has been making suggestions to Austin Divall in order for them to achieve a favourable outcome to their planning application, which has resulted in Austin Divall amending their planning application accordingly. I believe that the actions of the case officer here are inappropriate, and are at the expense of those of us who have already objected to this planning application. Her actions need to be explained and justified.

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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