

Kents Barn
Brookpit Lane
Climping
BN17 5QT

OBJECTION....CM/34/PL

1 I have been a resident here for many years and have enjoyed the privilege of being part of the Climping Gap which has been a benefit to local tourism as it has been largely maintained as an area of outstanding natural beauty. It cannot be underestimated for its important role as a migratory route and is protected by a restrictive covenant which SHOULD prevent development such as that being Proposed , It is the last stretch of natural and undeveloped coastline To be found along this part of West Sussex and is home to a nature reserve and a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

2 Further to the above(1) this section of land has been allowed to reduce in size by the recent realignment of the coastline in order to protect property that is in danger of flooding further along the coastline due to rising sea levels
Making this an even smaller section already.

3 The proposal is for a visitor centre and carpark to replace the previous carpark that was lost due to rising sea levels however the Size of the allotted carpark / far exceeds the need described and would be Just another piece of arable land lost to development. This land is of good soil quality and highly desirable.

4 The location of the carpark is not close enough to the beach to be a like for like replacement as the previous location suited people wanting a quick walk on the beach without a further long walk to the car.

5 A beach carpark should provide toilet facilities close to the shoreline not half a mile inland.

6 The access road to the car park is already dangerous. It is winding and narrow with no pavement. and many people use it for cycling

There has already been a fatality due to poor visibility so increased levels of activity will endanger road users.

Even with improved pavements the road is still dogged with blind spots.

6 The school is busy at pick up and drop off times so this will impact on access even if they are allowed to use the carpark for parents to drop off and collect. On some days the parents attend meetings for a longer period.

7 the car park will have charging points causing night time activity. This is exactly when the wild life will be affected and charging points will cause light pollution in a natural rural setting even after the carpark closes at 8pm and so is unwelcome for the residents here.

8 The above will be visible to residents in Climping Street who have (until now) enjoyed the quiet and natural landscape and wildlife. Although this location seeks to reduce parking in Climping Street it will do nothing to deter those people who want quick access to the beach and find the car park an inconvenient distance away.

9 There is a visitor centre in Littlehampton and plenty of restaurants in the vicinity so another "sit down " restaurant is of little benefit.

10 The listed properties are of historic interest and should not be within site of a café and carpark but remain within a wooded setting.

11 There is a Covenant on this area preventing any development

So a location else where closer to the sea would be preferable especially as the bund is being extended across Bread Lane making Access to the sea difficult via Bread Lane.

It should be added that none of the residents in my section of Climping were part of any decision making regarding a car park Location so it is hardly surprising that this location was agreed without our knowledge,

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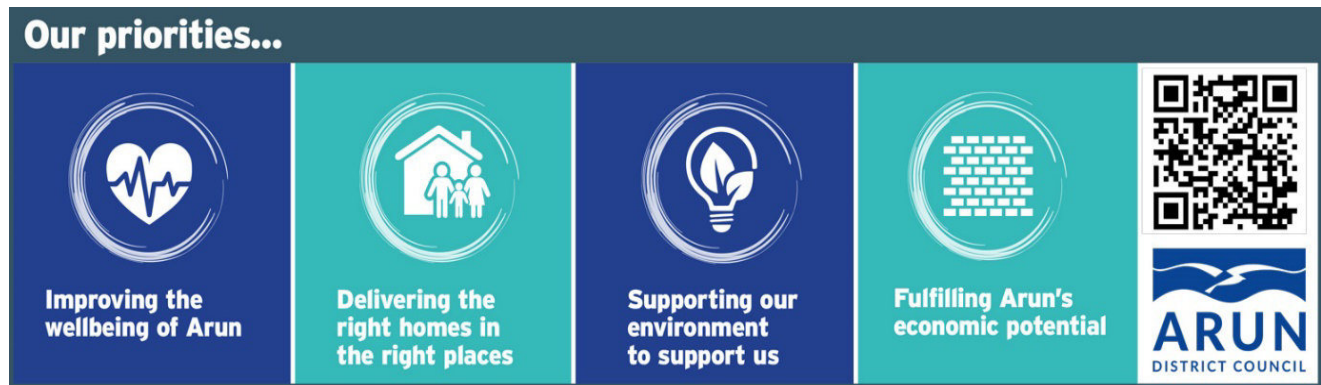
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Dear Amber

Kents Barn Brookpit Lane Climping BN17 5QT

I am sending you my letter of objection to a proposed replacement carpark along the road to me in Brookpit lane. re CM/34/25/PL

I was aware of the need for a new carpark but unaware that this decision was made for a location that affects our properties in a quiet little lane unsuitable for traffic on the scale proposed. We needed to be informed and sadly were kept in the dark. (It was never included in the options re the map below.

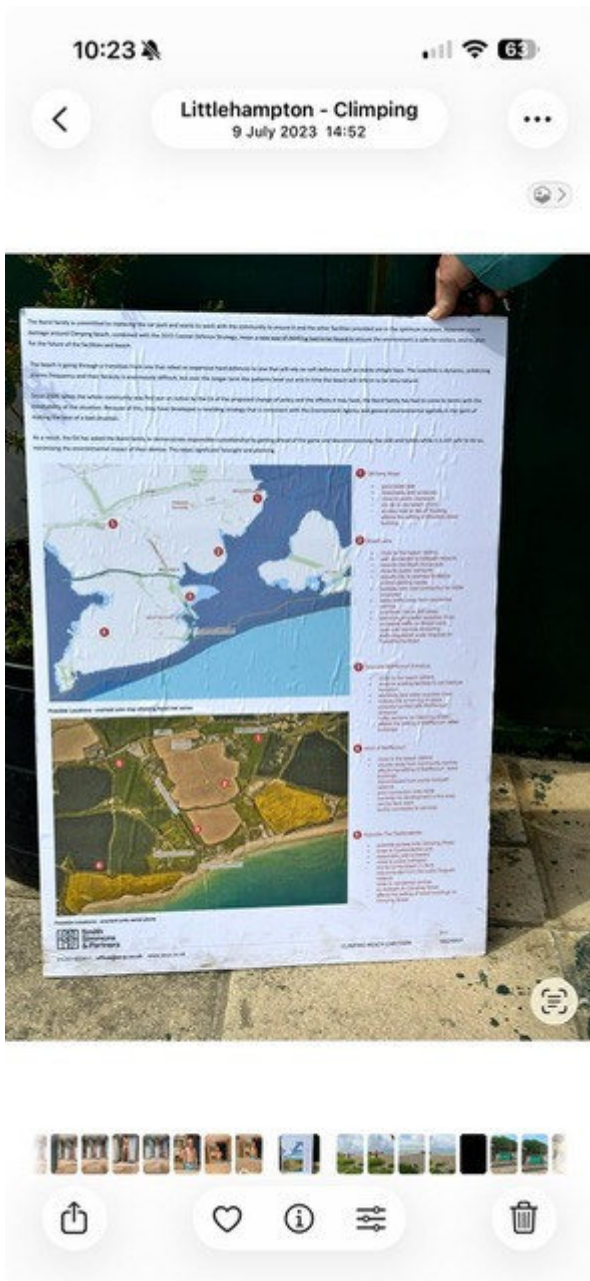
I tried to write my objection on the portal but it allowed only a short area of script so I am trying to send this directly to you.

I will also drop in a signed copy tomorrow in the council offices.

Many thanks
Marian Thornton

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