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Your Ref: OWPC19351
Our Ref: EG/43/18/PL 15-06-2018
Please ask for:
Mr S Davis

19th July 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Change of use from shop (A1 Shops) to micro-pub (A4 Drinking Establishment).
42 Barnham Road Eastergate

Thank you for your internet representation made on 18th July 2018 which has been recorded as **'support'** with the comments as follows:

Whilst pubs are closing at the rate of over 14 a week, by contrast Micropubs are now opening at the rate of 2 a week. There are now over 500 Micropubs in the UK and this is expected to reach around 800 by the end of the year

The Micropub Association defines them as "a small freehouse, which listens to its customers, serves mainly cask ales, promotes conversation, shuns all forms of electronic entertainment and dabbles in traditional pub snacks". Micropubs do not otherwise serve food.

Their motto is "KIS, KIS" - "Keep It Small, Keep It Simple"!

There is no standard format but all have one thing in common: decent and often local reasonably priced cask conditioned ale, bottled craft beers, real cider and wine , no-frills setting - usually a single room, normally an ex retail premises. some additionally sell a small selection of craft beers on keg and a few dabble in boutique gins, currently "On trend." Otherwise spirits are not normally served.

You will not find juke boxes blaring out music, a Micropub pub which is run for the benefit of drinkers rather than its staff. Further no big screen TV.

Instead, you will find the wonderful sound of human conversation, interspersed with laughter

You may find magazines or newspapers for customers who just want to sit and read. And most importantly Cask Conditioned ales. Heaven!

Locally look for further than the Anchored Worthing, the Georgi Fin Goring , The Crab Pot Selsey, The Hornet Ale House Chichester and The Dog and Duck Bognor. There are now over a dozen Micropubs open or planned along the West Sussex Coast

The proposed location opposite Barnham Station could not be better located, particularly as Barnham/Yapton has lost at least three pubs over the last 10 years. Great to see the trend being reversed.

For obvious reasons many Micropubs are located close to a railway station, including The Watchmakers Arms, Hove; The Old Star Ale and Cider House Shoreham; The Brookstead Worthing; and The Green Man, West Worthing as examples

This application has my full support

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

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