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This letter should be recorded as an objection.

1/. Buildings.

Our property was Self-Built in compliance with all Planning and Estate requirements (EP/80/94/B). A minimum distance from the edge of the Tamarisk Way road and any part of the building was established, and both the 3-car garage to the East of the frontage, and the workshop, to the West, comply with this requirement: The purpose of such a constraint is to preserve the visual continuity of Tamarisk Way, to the East, and to the West.

The proposed 3-car garage at 29 Tamarisk Way sits closer to the road than would have been permitted at the time of our build.

2/. Fire Risk.

The applicant refers to a fire in which a thatched house was destroyed in Tamarisk Way: Insurers, and others, concluded that the cause was a defective chimney, which leaked hot gases directly into the thatch. Those who knew the occupants of this house, and who witnessed the event, will know that the representation of this fire, as offered by the applicant, is factually incorrect in every respect. It should be dismissed from any Planning consideration.

3/. Beach Fires.

Mr. Richardson (25 Tamarisk Way) is likely to undertake the building works, should this application be approved - he renovated "Hascombe", 33 Tamarisk Way 3 or 4 years ago: He states that he has experienced '...many fires, close to the protected Tamarisks'. We have occupied 27 Tamarisk Way for in excess of 1/4 of a century, and we have never witnessed such fires, despite having been in continuous, and permanent, occupation of the property. The applicant states that he has witnessed fires on the beach, with '...sparks flying over the roof'.

Again, we have never seen such fires, and signage makes it abundantly clear that BBQs and fires are not permitted on the beach.

4/. Tamarisk Hedge.

Those owning houses on the 'sea' side of Tamarisk Way pay an additional annual maintenance fee for the Tamarisk hedge to be kept in good order, even though the land is Council-owned. These bushes are in leaf for most of the year, and are 'green' wood, i.e. growing, sap-filled, developing entities. They would not burn, and they represent no fire-risk.

Yours sincerely,

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