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Your Ref: OWPC19282
Our Ref: FG/105/18/PL 18-05-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

12th July 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Installation of a six-pump (12 filling position) automated petrol filling station ('PFS') & associated works. Resubmission of FG/206/17/PL

Land at Asda Superstore Littlehampton Road Ferring

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

I would like to begin by advising I have no issue with progress and this objection is based on the effect the planning application by Asda/Walmart will have on me and my family. The rear of our property is directly beside the proposed site and I object for the following reasons:

1. Our garden will be unusable if a petrol station is sited in the proposed area as my family will be breathing in petrol & diesel fumes, when in our garden or in the two rear bedrooms of the property. These bedrooms are used by my children.

2. We bought our property with the understanding the site was an overflow car-park and feel it is unfair and underhand to ask for this now instead of asking for this while the estate was being built which would have given us the opportunity of purchasing elsewhere. We are very likely to have bought elsewhere if we had had prior knowledge.

3. The store does not open 24hrs and this application will change this, especially as they are asking for a 24hr operation. This will bring 24hr noise pollution, light pollution and an uncontrolled site, especially as they asking for this to be an unmanned operation?

4. Whilst I can appreciate the suggested need for a fuel station (for commercial gain as well as the local community), I find it incredible that they would build this on the left-hand side where the houses are instead of the right-hand side! I appreciate it would be cost effective and easier to leave the bus stops where they are but this would be an obvious solution instead of affecting families.

5. A successful application will affect the insurance of our properties and add the danger of having an increased fire risk next to our properties. We bought our home so we could settle and the suggestion of this operation need our property has caused anxieties.

6. What has happened to the original request for self-service jet wash, air supply and vacuum services? I know how loud an air compressor is and would not want this noise metres from my children's windows at night or at the weekends when we wish to spend quality family time at home.

7. ASDA has so far failed to honour their existing planning conditions to reduce the lighting in the evening by 50%. Whilst we are too far back to be affected by this, it doesn't bode well that they will respect any further planning conditions imposed. We already have to regularly remove trolleys from the proposed site and return them to the store. It has also

been suggested Asda have failed to maintain the fencing that is alongside other properties.

To summarise, I have real concerns for the health and well-being of my family and the families around me. The site will be a risk so close to my property for fire, air quality, insurance purposes and the like. We are concerned about light pollution too. This may appear as a NIMBY objection but we are not saying no, just nowhere near the homes if it can be avoided. This application could (and should) be changed to support this.

I would be happy to attend any planning meeting if I can get the time off.

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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