

32 Meadow Way  
Ferring  
West Sussex  
BN12 5LD

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Dear Ms Gardner

Re: Objection to Application No: FG/127/20/PL (Onslow Caravan Park)

I am sending this via email as it is not possible to submit photographs using the “comment” feature.

I am objecting to the above application for the following reasons:

The original application was deceptive on these points:

Q. 10 There were trees and a hedge in the relevant area, clearly visible on historical satellite mapping, which have now been lost to the local wildlife, and their clearance will be exacerbating problems with water run-off in the area.

Q. 22 The development is clearly visible from both the public road and the public footpath.

The proposed planting/screening will take a long time to come to maturity if the developer actually implements it.

It is concerning that neither of these points were noticed when evaluating the original application. The developer's lack of transparency was then compounded when they failed to follow their own plans and built something much higher.

An earlier application to site the workshop elsewhere in the park was refused because of the detrimental effect it would have on the occupiers of the mobile homes. I would hope that local permanent residents would be afforded the same courtesy.

### **Drainage**

After heavy rainfall there are already problems with drainage in Meadow Way (see photo).



The watercourse into which surface water from this development is destined for is described in the accompanying documents as a “dry ditch”. It is anything but (see photos).





There is already a considerably greater area of concreting on the park compared with a few years ago, and with global warming and rising sea levels, the Ferring Rife and its related watercourses, and therefore nearby houses, are already vulnerable.

Traffic to and from the caravan park is causing damage to the local grass verges. We need grass verges to help absorb rainfall, but if they need to be repeatedly repaired they will end up being concreted over, causing more drainage problems.

### **The building**

The workshop, euphemistically called a barn in documents, is in size and height out of keeping with the low rise character and appearance of both the caravan park and the local area. It is industrial in appearance, and is extremely overbearing from the back gardens of Meadow Way. It is unclear from the documents why the building needs to be so high. Previous applications were refused because of the height of the building; to allow the current building to remain would make a mockery of the planning system.

### **Noise**

The noise levels on the park have increased greatly over the years, already causing distress to local residents even before so many of them had to start working at home. Even if machinery stored, or being operated, in this workshop, is “only” operated within normal working hours it will still cause the kind of disruption normally only associated with industrial sites.

I hope that these points, and those raised by other objectors, will be properly considered.

Yours sincerely

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