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Your Ref: OWPC15550
Our Ref: FG/135/17/PL 18-08-2017
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

14th September 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Erection of 1 no. 2 bed dwelling
South Point Beehive Lane Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 12th September 2017 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

Surprise surprise, true to form and no doubt as part of the original grand design/plot, yet another rabbit hops out of the Developer's hat taking cynicism to an even higher level? An apt mission statement for the Development Company would be "anything goes at any cost as long as it's not in our own back yard"!

Day by day we are having to contend with a concrete edifice rising from the bowels of the earth that will completely destroy what remains of the individual character of the Lane and I will lose the hitherto 100% privacy I've enjoyed in my back garden for the last 27 years.

This development has been the subject of protracted debate over numerous months. The initial request for 10 apartments was perceived to be an overdevelopment, a subsequent submission for 8 apartments with a "sweetener" from the developer for there to be a green belt in between the development and 3 Beehive Lane was sadly approved.

We, the long-suffering locals, still maintain that the current development is completely out of character with the Lane and we firmly believe that even in its present form it constitutes overdevelopment. If this latest amendment is approved what little green and pleasant land we have left in Ferring in general and the Lane in particular would disappear just to create wads of extra dosh for the developer's burgeoning cash pile.

Despite the Council's opinion to the contrary, as a long suffering resident I can assure you that traffic flow and parking is already very precarious in this area and South Point will exacerbate those situations still further. This, in addition to increased clogging up of the A259, will result in the Lane becoming an even greater rat run that in turn will damage the roads that are maintained at the expense of the long suffering residents. Drainage at South Point of both the land area and from the apartments is still a cause for grave concern. The plan makes no provision for additional parking space on site and that will result in more parking in the Lane in the vicinity of an already busy and dangerous junction undoubtedly causing yet more inconvenience and irritation to those of us who live nearby.

We should not overlook the fact that parents walking their children to and from Ferring School (as encouraged so to do), frail and elderly residents tottering to the shops/hair salon, church, pub and dog walkers all literally take their lives in their hands by walking in the Lane.

Throughout this long drawn out process the Developer has professed virtuous intentions as far as maintaining the character of the Lane and benefits to the residents - that's debatable! This is the third development within 100 metres that this particular Developer

has promoted in the last decade or so and on each occasion there have been protracted periods of appeal all to no avail. The ruthless minority, to satisfy greedy intentions, has decimated this once delightful and unique village and it is past time for a line to be drawn in the sand barring any similar developments in the future.

This application simply beggars belief and without hesitation I strongly object to it.

Your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

Please be aware that if the application is to be determined by the Council's Development Control committee and your letter has been received at a late stage after the Agenda has been published you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the Council's website or telephone the Council for further information. Please be advised that any comments you make that are not included within the Committee Agenda will be reported to the Members of the Development Control committee. Please also be aware that only a small number of all planning applications received go the Development Control Committee. Most are determined under delegated powers by Officers in which case your comments will again be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish details of your comments on the internet on the Arun District Council Planning section. Please ensure that you only provide information that you are happy will be made available in this way. If you supply information belonging to a third party, please ensure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the 'open file' please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that its contents will then be disregarded.

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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