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Your Ref: OWPC20342
Our Ref: FG/159/18/PL 19-08-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

30th October 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Two-storey extension to the existing Cafe in order to provide increased internal seating, multi-purpose space, with improved service & food preparation area, disabled access & bike storage.

The Bluebird Cafe South Drive Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 29th October 2018 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

The cafe is currently an appropriate size and capacity for the area in which it is situated. Ferring is not, and is unlikely to become a resort of a size that necessitates a larger catering establishment; it is a quiet rural beachside area and should remain that way. An expansion of the kind envisaged will do nothing for the village community and is from our viewpoint unnecessary. It is also disingenuous and naïve to suggest that such a massive expansion will not adversely affect the local community and the access and parking issues on the roads adjacent to the parking area.

On 'normal' days now, the car parking area is always excessively busy and at peak times - when the weather is good, holiday periods and weekends, - the traffic overflows into the surrounding streets which are just capable of accommodating two-way traffic. Problems arise on and around residential driveways, road junctions and blind corners creating hazardous conditions for other road users including buses (roads leading to the carpark entrance are bus routes) pedestrians, wheelchairs and mobility scooters.

It should also be noted that the speed limit, contrary to the wishes of local residents, is 30 mph not the 20 mph as stated in the Assessment.

It is exasperating for local residents, who pay for the upkeep of un-adopted roads to be denied reasonable access to and from their property and to be regularly inconvenienced by the extent of overflow parking.

Whilst the existing cafe undoubtedly creates traffic problems for the village as a whole and particularly the residents local to it - on busy days the traffic issues are intolerable. It is simply not acceptable to compound the problems by increasing capacity, which will give rise to increased demand and exacerbate the problems associated with local street parking.

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 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. If a complaint is received that permission has not been given for comments included about a third party, the Council reserves the right to redact/remove all relevant information. 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

Neil Crowther
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