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27th October 2018.

Head of Planning,
Arun District Council,
Maltravers Road,
Littlehampton BN17 5LF

ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Dear Sir

Re: Bluebird Planning Application (FG/159/18)

We wish very strongly to object to this planning application on the basis of the following points.

Roads

The roads servicing the Bluebird Café are unadopted and are maintained by the Ferring Roads Scheme Association and not maintained by the council. Any potential resultant increase in traffic will result in extra costs incurred by the FRSA and hence the residents, who have to pay an additional fee over and above their council tax to maintain these roads.

Quoting the speed limit as 20mph is incorrect. The recent Road Traffic Order specifies the local speed limit as 30mph.

I have sent a copy of this letter to the FRSA, who might additionally wish to comment on this application.

Parking.

The existing car parking is already inadequate and consists of hard core and potholes. Even if the car park was properly surfaced and marked with defined car parking spaces it would still not cater for the present café customers and dog owners. It is claimed that the revised car park will accommodate 100 cars. We think that is highly improbable and we object to this part of the proposal.

The current access to the car park is inadequate.

Traffic congestion

The roads in Ferring are not wide and it is important that access for the bus routes is maintained, especially to support the elderly population who do not have access to car transport. Even without this application there are access problems to the café from West Drive and South Drive into the narrow access to the café car park.

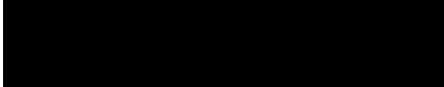
There is no street lighting in south Ferring so that pedestrians use the road at night. Even without this proposed development there are progressively more cars using the village. We do not want this development as there already is too much traffic.

Noise

We chose to live in Ferring because it was a relatively quiet place to live. Special events will be detrimental to the peace and quiet of the residents in south Ferring.

In summary, this planning application is completely inappropriate for Ferring and should be rejected.

Yours sincerely,

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Jean & Trevor Martin