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Your Ref: OWPC16589
Our Ref: FG/174/17/PL 07-11-2017
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

14th December 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Demolition of existing dwelling (No. 32) & erection of 4 No. 4 bed dwellings, alterations to existing dwelling (No. 34A) with alterations to two existing accesses to form a single point of access. This application may affect the Character & Appearance of the Ferring Conservation Area.

32 & 34A Sea Lane Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 14th December 2017 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

This application is without doubt an overdevelopment of a site that, until it was unsympathetically cleared completely earlier this year by the developer, provided a semi rural habitat rich in wildlife and charm. The application will do nothing to change that, with four additional properties and the one proposed to be re-developed making a total of five. The size of the plots including their gardens are small and impractical compared to the size of the buildings. It will change the scene here forever with the properties overlooking and close to the recreation ground, which will put them into conflict with its use as a cricket ground.

Even more importantly, anybody who lives in the area and uses Sea Lane knows how congested this stretch of the road is at various times of the day, especially at the local school start and end times, as well as when any functions are held there. This development will only increase this congestion and danger with extra vehicles entering and leaving the site, despite the fact that WSCC Highways appear to be in denial over this. The developer's clearance of the site as well as his cynical attempt to widen the splay of the entrance may improve access when on the site but does nothing to improve the situation on Sea Lane, when emerging vehicles will be confronted by a line of parked vehicles on the east side of the road and traffic attempting to travel in both directions past them. Quite simply, it will lead to an unacceptable increase in road safety problems, putting the safety of school pupils amongst others in jeopardy.

For these reasons, a development of five properties here should be refused.

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

Neil Crowther
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