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108 Sea Lane,
Ferring
West Sussex
BN12 5HB

Your Ref: OWPC14010
Our Ref: FG/198/16/PL 29-11-2016
Please ask for:
Andrew Wood

19th May 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Demolition of existing house with erection of 2 storey building comprising of 8No.
residential 2 bedroom flats & associated external works
1 Sea Drive Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 18th May 2017 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

In light of the fact that as Head of Planning you appear to have chosen to ignore my direct correspondence and dont even have the courtesy to acknowledge it, I have decided to place my thoughts here for everyone to see.

Re: 108 Sea Lane, Ferring, BN12 5HB

Mr Crowther

I write in respect of the planning reference listed above, as I reside - next door to the proposed development.

I have to tell you in no uncertain terms that I am absolutely appalled by your staff and their total mismanagement of this entire matter, under your leadership.

Your staff have ignored proper procedure and protocol in their dealing of this matter and have turned this, into an absolute debacle.

I am aware that you have yet again pushed the presentation of this matter to the DCC back to June 21st. However, it appears you feel it only neccessary to change the small print on the notices to advise the public of the changes? These are notices that have been in situ for months and nobody is likely to look at these at this stage having already done so within the original period. If you cannot change the colour to alert people to an update, the very least you could do is place additional signs out in new locations and make a concerted effort as an organisation to ensure you contact every person involved. After all, these are your Departments errors and therefore you are accountable. I must question whether this is a Planning Dept ploy to just change the small print to cover yourselves and your glaring errors in this case, and in a bid to almost ensure no further public representations are forthcoming. Is this possibly a tactic you have used before(?) when you have made mistakes previously, as I am guessing this isn't the first time.

I for one, have received no further information from your staff. Don't mind me, as a disabled pensioner, I only live next door to the proposed development and it is my life as a retired person that could be turned upside down having moved here from London just a few years ago following the loss of my husband. I relocated here, based on a very specific set of criteria, as a disabled person.

I have to say Mr Crowther, that I feel sure that your Department under your leadership and

guidance, deals with many applications such as this on an annual basis and you have a procedure in place that must be adhered to. So how is it that your Department have managed to entirely mismanage a system and format that you are likely to be using on every application and therefore, make so many glaring errors in regards to this matter.

It is now my view that your department is absolutely not fit for purpose, and I have to state to you, that it now brings into question your Departments handling of other such applications in the locality such as Beehive Lane, BlueWaters and others further afield that I feel, may possibly need to be investigated.

It is glaringly obvious that you have nowhere to go with this application now. It should be rejected forthwith, and any monies refunded to the developer for your Departments improper practices and conduct, as it seems that any other conclusion and outcome to this matter will be considered nothing short of an entirely unlawful decision.

I am now mindful to place the entire matter in the hands of Mrs Colette Hanson, the Senior Parliamentary Aide to Sir Peter Bottomley at the House of Commons. Local government must always be held accountable both for its actions, as well as lack of them, to ensure they are not repeated and lessons are learnt.

*Yours sincerely
Janice Royle (Mrs)*

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
Group Head of Planning