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Your Ref: OWPC17439
Our Ref: FG/206/17/PL 27-12-2017
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

23rd February 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Installation of a Six Pump (12 Filling Position) Petrol Filling station, Drive-to-Pay Kiosk & associated works including Jet Wash, Air/ Water Services & Vacuum Equipment
Land at Asda Superstore Littlehampton Road Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 22nd February 2018 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

I wish to object to this application for the following reasons:

There is no requirement/demand for a 24-hour petrol station in this area. Other supermarkets in the Worthing/Littlehampton area, i.e. Sainsburys, Tesco and Morrisons, have petrol stations, however all of them do not operate on a 24-hour basis. Their opening times are line with their store opening times.

The petrol station will be situated next to the new housing development. The proposal would significantly impact them and the surrounding area with increased light and noise pollution.

Having such a facility so close to the A259 will invariably cause traffic problems which will back up onto the road, leading to a further hazard for both road users and pedestrians to negotiate. The A259 is at its maximum capacity leading to congestion on numerous occasions throughout the day, not just at peak times. The proposal will further increase road traffic, with many users driving to the petrol station solely to use the facility and not due to the 'dual' visit to the store.

The Transport statement only provides statistics for the store between 0600 and 2200 hours for both weekdays and weekends. The evidence presented by ASDA does not show the impact between 2200 and 0600 hours. So how can they say that the impact is minimal!

It is inevitable that there will be more noise and traffic generated at anti-social hours, and will inevitably lead to further anti-social behaviour, which I have been a victim of.

When the initial application for an ASDA store on site, ASDA were keen to be part of the Ferring community and build relationships with the surrounding area. Over time, further developments have been granted and ASDA have forgotten about their commitment to play their part in the community, e.g. locating the petrol station next to a new housing development.

The area where the store is situated is not a town development. It sits on the edge of the South Downs National park and in full sight of Highdown Hill which is within the National Park.

This proposal is further demonstration that they have forgotten, or have chosen to forget, that they have a responsibility to ensure that their buildings and land are in keeping with the special environment that it sits within.

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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