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Dear Mr Wood

Further to the response posted by Mr and Mrs Malcolm Jenkins on 22/1/19 regarding objections to planning application FG/220/18/PL.

Background

This states that Mr and Mrs Jenkins are not developers, yet they purchase a property with 'development potential' and submit development plans. If this is not a developer, what is?

We would point out that under FG/186/18/HH, Mr Jenkins stated that he wished to develop Elm Lodge into a home he and his wife would retire to. His latest letter suggests that he now wishes to retire to the new house and not the original property which may be lived in, at some unspecified time by various members of his family. How does that fit in with the Arun Plan and the provision of housing?

Density

Many objections do not refer to the size of the plot but to the size of the house occupying most of it. We refute absolutely the assertion that the design in any way complements any of the existing houses in Tamarisk Way (or indeed the adjacent parts of Sea Lane).

The consequence of the design of the new house and the changes to Elm Lodge means that 4 full length Juliette Balcony windows would directly face and intrusively overlook our house and garden, comprehensively affecting our privacy. We note that these windows will have 'mirror foil' to ensure the privacy of the occupants. Do we not have the same rights?

Access and visibility

Whilst there obviously is currently no evidence of the junction of Tamarisk Way with Sea Lane operating unsafely, this does not mean that the additional driveway, so close to the entrance does not constitute a hazard. How can this be confirmed without a site visit from WSCC?

Drainage and Flooding

We would point out that whilst the same amount of rainfall would be present, currently much of this is absorbed by the grass and vegetation in the garden site. If this area is covered by a house and hardstanding, the runoff clearly has to go somewhere else i.e. the pond and drainage areas.

Conclusion

We ask the council to reject this unneighbourly back garden development with sympathetic regard to the local area and the potential destruction of one of only two remaining large open gardens in Tamarisk Way and Sea Lane. This development will surely destroy the very ambience that the Jenkins' purport to find so attractive in Ferring Village.

Yours sincerely

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