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Your Ref: OWPC22943
Our Ref: FG/29/19/PL 15-03-2019
Please ask for:
Mrs A Gardner

13th May 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Erection of 1 No. 2 bed dwelling
South Point 1 Beehive Lane Ferring

Thank you for your internet representation made on 12th May 2019 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

What a drain this saga must be on the resources and finances of Arun DC - it is no wonder they're strapped for cash for essential services. Were there to be a NIMBY award for the most calculated, contemptuous and cynical disdain for Planning Authorities and we the "long suffering" residents, this Developer would win hands down. I'm confident that the locals are afflicted by objection fatigue and have lost faith in a system stacked in favour of greedy Developers?

The initial sales brochure for prospective buyers stated that the apartments would be "surrounded by beautifully landscaped communal gardens". It is on this premise that the proposal for the initial 8 flats was apparently sold to the long suffering Lady living at number 3 and presumably swayed the authorities into granting the appeal. We knew, from previous experiences, that this wouldn't be the end of the matter and that the Developer would change his mind in pursuit of his original objective. Apparently his reason for reneging on this offer was "it became clear that there was a better use for the area of land concerned". I would suggest that the "better use" was to facilitate yet more cash in his back pocket. It is particularly interesting to note the observations of the resident of 8 South Point!

This application simply represents further overdevelopment of an already overdeveloped plot. The proposed "beautifully landscaped gardens" have been vaporised and now even more concrete could be laid totally against official recommendations. When we have prolonged heavy rainfall the water in the drains around my and other properties rises to ground level and water in the indoor toilets may rise to such an extent as to create much unease.

At present a number of the apartments remain unsold and so we have yet to experience the full impact of parking off site. As if and when these alleged desirable properties are sold the only alternative will be to dump vehicles on the Lane causing obstructions creating difficulties for we residents to access our drives. Double yellow lines on all its boundaries protect South Point. At best, the situation would mirror that of a municipal car park. WSCC Highways have thus far paid scant regard to reality.

Beehive Lane is one of the main routes into/out of Ferring. It is very narrow, is unadopted with no pavements, no street lighting and the site is situated on the already extremely busy main junction with Ocean Drive. It follows that every new/additional property generates more traffic and places an even greater burden on lightly constructed and privately maintained roads.

Parents walk their children to and from Ferring School, frail and elderly residents totter to the shops/hair salon, pub and dog walkers all literally take their lives in their hands by walking in the Lane. This is an accident waiting to happen. The Lane is increasingly being used on a daily basis by motorists travelling East to West/West to East of Worthing on a regular basis as a "rat run" to avoid the ever-increasing delays encountered on the A259 many at unacceptably high speeds. Heaven help us once the improvements to the A259 commence.

Post the builders leaving the site, part of the frontage of South Point adjoining Beehive Lane has been left in a deplorable state mirroring a mud bath when it rains. Speaks volumes for the Developer who claims to have the very best interests of the locals at the forefront of his actions or in this case inaction.

I object to this latest proposal - clearly the Developer isn't happy with what has already been agreed so I suggest that the former agreement be withdrawn and let's return to the least bad option and have the undertaking of the "beautifully landscaped gardens" restored.

Unfortunately it is not possible for the council to respond to each representation individually but your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

If the application is to be determined at the Development Control Committee and your letter has been received after the agenda has been published, you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances, it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the website or telephone for further information. Please be advised that any comments received after the the Development Control Agenda has been produced will be reported to the meeting. Please also note that only a small number of all planning applications are determined at the Development Control Committee, most are determined by officers under delegated power.

All representations are published on our website so please make sure your views are clear and only include information that you are happy for the public to view. Do not include personal information or information from third parties unless you have their permission to do so. If a complaint is received that permission has not been given for comments included about a third party, the Council reserves the right to redact/remove all relevant information. Do not include information that is defamatory or breaches equality or other legislation. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website and on the file, please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed, although this does mean that its contents will be disregarded. For details of what we do with your personal information please refer to our privacy statement comments on planning applications which is available on our website www.arun.gov.uk/planning-privacy-statements.

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

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