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Development Control
Arun District Council
The Arun Civic Centre
Maltravers Road
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2nd September 2014

Dear Sirs,

Re: Objection to Planning Application Ref: FP/129/14/PL

Our grounds for objection to the above application are on the following bases:-

We object to the fact that all pedestrians accessing or exiting the site will be funnelled along the eastern side of our building.

We are not sure whether or not Ms Port has taken into account the fact that along the eastern elevation of our building we have six opening out windows that are used on a fairly regular basis, especially in the summer months, that protrude approximately 610mm in full open position from the face of the building and also just under 1100mm from the finished floor to the underside of the opening sashes. I feel that this would be a hazard to any persons funnelled to one end or the other of this site along our eastern elevation.

In regard to health and safety issues, I am concerned that the proposed fence would create a serious hazard for anyone passing over the land to either access or exit this site as they would be restricted to pass by close to the building.

In the event of a serious fire, anyone using the exits on the eastern elevation the fence would mean that people exiting from our building would not be able to disperse without the need to pass close to the premises, thereby placing them at risk in regard to heat, flames and potential smoke inhalation and debris.

Also as all persons would be funnelled to one end or the other in the event of lock failure in one form or another or any other obstruction to the gates within the driveway, we might have to fumble with keys or locks and this would not give us enough time to be far enough away from potential disaster.

In our view by reducing the width of the existing entrance/exit to the site this would hamper any emergency vehicles and their quick response and reduce their choice of entrance regarding people trapped in this building.

In regard to practicality, we have run this company as a window manufacturing company for approximately 30 years.

We have the right of way over the driveway which we use on a daily basis to access our store that is sited at the rear of our building. This configuration of fencing would make our only store redundant and would severely affect the way the business is run and has been run for the last three decades.

I would also like to point out as I did to one of your colleagues that all our machinery used on a daily basis to manufacture our products can only be entered/exited from our building down the eastern side of our property and would require the full width of the drive to manoeuvre a flat bed lorry with crane equipment.

If the fencing was to be approved there is no other way out for our machinery.

As well as a store we have an 8ft sliding door on the eastern side of our building that we use on a daily basis to carry out large windows and also plant and equipment when necessary.

As a small business we are very worried and concerned that if this application is accepted that we have no other alternative means of carrying out the way we operate and have operated for the last 30 years.

As it is, it can be difficult but with any additional restrictions would be impossible.

You are invited to visit the site.

Yours faithfully


Anthony Haslam
For Roundle Glass & Glazing Ltd