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Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Application No: LU/50/21/PL
Site Address: Littlehampton Promenade South of Putting Green Sea Road Littlehampton
Description of works: Provision of 20 No. new beach huts on concrete bearers to broadly match existing.
This site is in CIL Zone 5 (Zero Rated) as other development.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 19th April 2021 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC35194

The promenade at Littlehampton is one of the jewels in Littlehampton's crown. Residents and visitors alike benefit from walking along the prom and enjoying the sea views. This is particularly important to those unable to access the beach due to a disability and who are confined to a wheelchair or mobility scooter. Whilst the original beach huts restricted the sea view to some extent, the erection of additional huts some years ago further restricted the view. Only a brief glimpse of the sea is now possible when walking along that section, taking a ride on the Littlehampton Miniature Railway or sitting on one of the benches on the prom.

The erection of an additional 20 huts will restrict the sea view almost entirely and will have the same effect as erecting a high fence between the promenade and beach. The erection of the new kite surfing school/cafe has already had an adverse effect on the view, especially looking west from the bottom of Hendon Avenue.

I am aware that the section from Norfolk Gardens to the River Arun has unrestricted sea views but many local residents who access the prom from Mewsbrook Park/Hendon Avenue are elderly/infirm and are not able to walk that far. The promenade ends just east of Hendon Avenue and the pavement after that is very narrow and difficult to walk along as passing people coming in the opposite direction necessitates stepping out into the busy road.

I regularly walk along the promenade and foreshore and see that, with a few exceptions, the majority of the existing beach huts are rarely used, even in the height of summer. They are vandalised on a regular basis and, on occasions, even set on fire.

It is my opinion that the purpose of ADC's proposal to erect 20 additional huts is purely for financial gain. The only people who will benefit from the additional huts will be those who can afford to buy them but the huts will have a detrimental effect on the enjoyment of those of us who regularly take pleasure from a walk along the promenade 'to see the sea'.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Development Control Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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