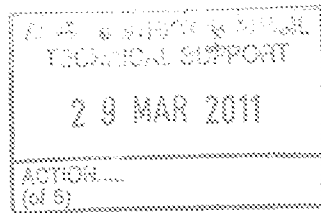


19 Amberley Close
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25 March 2011



Dear Sir or Madam

Planning Application LU/63/11 – Fitzalan Link Road, Littlehampton

We wish to comment on the above application.

As residents of Amberley Close, we are extremely concerned about the effect the building of this new road will have on our health and our environment. The planned new road will run down the entire side of our property meaning that we will be unable to get away from any adverse effects which may result from it.

In the report on air pollution, our actual address shows as likely to be adversely effected by the dust etc. Whilst we appreciate that at the building stage there will obviously be a lot of dust etc generated, we are also concerned, because from experience we know that any roadway generates an increase in dust.

The biggest concern, however, is the issue of noise. Obviously, at the construction stage there will be a lot of noise. Hopefully this will be fairly short lived, and the appropriate metal barriers etc will be erected during this stage. When the road has actually been constructed and is in use, however will be a different matter. We see that the developers intend erecting 2m, close boarded, double lapped timber fencing. They also show an area of 'landform up to 1.0m high' between us and the actual road, as well as the planting of shrubbery and trees.

Our concern is that this will not be enough to adequately protect us from the noise. The concern appears to be supported by a report from Graham Evans, Senior Environmental Health Officer which is included in the 'Consultations' section on the Application. His report shows his concern that '*several neighbours, particularly in Highdown Drive and Amberley Close, currently enjoying relatively low background noise levels will be subjected to noise that may give rise to moderate and serious annoyance in outdoor living areas, and impact upon speech intelligibility (how much worse can it get) and cause moderate annoyance indoors during the daytime and evening*', and what about overnight?

In summer months we often enjoy the peace and quiet, sitting in the garden until dark, listening to the birds and watching the bats etc. After a day at work it is an enjoyable way to unwind. It would appear that once the road is built this will be a thing of the past.

In view of these observations we would ask that our concerns are logged and due consideration is given to them when determining the outcome of the application.

Perhaps all affected properties should be consulted on the implications of this application, as we feel sure many people would not even have seen the notice in the local paper and will not be aware of the application and of what it will mean for them.

Can we assume that if this road is built, all residents who are adversely affected will be generously compensated?

Please acknowledge receipt of this correspondence, and keep us fully updated as the process develops.

We are

Robert Ian Ledger

and

Mrs Margaret Ledger