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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/76/25/PL
Site Address: Former Waitrose Site Avon Road Littlehampton BN17 6AT
Description of works: Demolition of vacant supermarket building and erection of four-storey hotel with ancillary restaurant, public realm, landscape improvements, retention of associated car park and all associated works. This application affects the setting of listed buildings and affects the character and appearance of the East Street Conservation Area and is in CIL Zone 4 (Zero Rated) as other development.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 27th May 2025 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC76818

This application was considered by the Littlehampton Town Council's Planning and Transportation Committee on Monday 19 May 2025. The committee supported the application, an extract of the minutes of the meeting is set out below:

8.2.2. Planning Application Reference LU/76/25/PL - Former Waitrose Site Avon Road Littlehampton

8.2.2.1. The Committee proceeded to consider the application which would see the vacant supermarket building in Avon Road demolished and replaced with an hotel. Observing that the site had been vacant and abandoned for some years, the Committee was supportive of the development and considered that it had much to offer in terms of the regeneration of the Town Centre.

8.2.2.2. Reviewing the plans in more detail, Members were pleased to note that the applicant having been made aware of the highways parking issues relating to the local schools, proposed to make allowances with the carpark management to resolve them. They also welcomed the changes planned to the existing bus stops at Anchor Springs and hoped that the applicant would continue to engage with the County Council and primary service provider Stagecoach on ways to improve this important transport hub and develop initiatives that would make these services a more comfortable experience for users.

8.2.2.3. It was noted that due to the application's location in the town centre, it was not CIL eligible, however, it was also considered the applicant would have a lot to contribute in terms of experience, ideas and support that could help boost local cultural and leisure activities attracting more visitors and boosting the tourist economy. Therefore, as a high-profile investor in the local economy the Town Council would welcome them becoming actively involved in the Town Council's Business Forum which functioned as a consultative body for local businesses. It was also suggested that the inclusion of an information point within the hotel and signage to promote local tourist attractions and places of interest would be beneficial. Finally, observing that the Town Council had a notice board in Anchor Springs Members also wished to engage with the applicant regarding the temporary re-siting during the construction works and a permanent solution once the hotel was built.

It was resolved that:

The application be supported and that the Committee's comments as set out in minutes 8.2.2.1. to 8.2.2.3. above be forwarded to Arun District Council.

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

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish your comments on the website. The website is updated once a day in the evening so it may take up to 24 hours for it appear on there. Please make sure that you have only provided information that you are happy will be published in this way. If you have supplied information belonging to a third party, you must make sure you have their permission to do so.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning 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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