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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/93/25/PL
Site Address: Units 5-7 Watersmead Business Park Norway Lane/Worthing Road Littlehampton BN17 6LS
Description of works: Part demolition, conversion, refurbishment and re-elevation of Units 5 and 6 and construction of retail (food and non-food), and food & beverage units (Use Class E), together with associated car parking, access, loading areas, landscaping and associated works. This application is in CIL Zone 2 and is CIL Liable.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 27th February 2026 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC81535

Support Statement - Planning Application for Retail Park, Littlehampton

I am writing to express my strong support for this planning application and to urge the Council to approve the proposed development.

The site in question has remained an abandoned distribution park for a significant period of time. In its current condition, it makes little positive contribution to the local area and instead represents a missed opportunity for regeneration. The redevelopment of this underutilised land into a modern retail park would transform a dormant and unattractive site into a vibrant and productive asset for the community.

One of the most compelling aspects of this proposal is the economic benefit it will bring to Littlehampton. The development is expected to generate a substantial number of local employment opportunities, both during the construction phase and once the retail units are operational. These jobs will provide much-needed opportunities for residents of all ages and skill levels, helping to strengthen the local economy and increase household income within the town.

Littlehampton has not seen significant investment or large-scale development for many years. As a result, there is a clear need for positive growth and renewal. This proposal represents a rare and valuable opportunity to stimulate economic activity, attract new businesses, and increase consumer choice within the town. By enhancing local retail provision, the development may also reduce the need for residents to travel to

neighbouring towns for shopping, helping to retain spending within the local economy.

In addition to the economic advantages, the regeneration of this site will improve the overall appearance and perception of the area. A well-designed retail park with appropriate landscaping, parking, and infrastructure will enhance the environment and contribute to a greater sense of pride in the community.

Overall, this proposal offers clear social, economic, and environmental benefits. It would revitalise a long-neglected site, create employment, attract investment, and support the continued growth of Littlehampton. For these reasons, I respectfully request that the Council gives favourable consideration to this application and grants planning permission.

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 including your name and address 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. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

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Some applications will be determined by the Planning Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search>

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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