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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 1st March 2026 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC81559

I'm writing to fully support the new retail park plans at Watersmead. Honestly, this is exactly what our area has been missing and I've been waiting for. Both LIDL, M&S and a B&Q would fit perfectly on the site.

Right now, if I want a LIDL (twice a week for me) or a simple bit of DIY kit, I have to either sit in solid traffic to get up to either Lyons Farm which can take up to 45 mins on a busy day, which is a waste of time and petrol. Or find parking in Worthing town centre which is difficult. I'm hoping its a B&Q too, as I also drive to Bognor or Shoreham which is waste of time, and not exactly environmentally a good choice.

Having a Lidl and an M&S right here would be a game-changer for local choice and would save us all those extra miles on the road. The stores complement the other retail in area, and don't detract from smaller shops in Littlehampton. It might attract more shoppers to also pop into Littlehampton too. For example, in Shoreham, Holmbush Centre compliments Shoreham town centre, and works really well.

It's a great use of the site, it'll create much-needed local jobs, and it finally fills a massive gap in our amenities. I really hope to see this get the green light soon!

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](mailto:planning@arun.gov.uk) and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/what-happens-next>.

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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