

ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL
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ACTION...

White Wings
24 Sea Way
Middleton-on-Sea
West Sussex
PO22 7SA

23 June 2015

The Director of Planning Services
Arun District Council
Maltravers Road
Littlehampton.

Dear Sir,

31 Sea Way Ref. No. M/56/15/HH

I am writing to urge you to reject this application on the grounds that the additional structures will create a gross over development of this small site, the overbearing nature of the buildings upon the adjoining property, No. 29, and, particularly, the proposed garage and store in the front forecourt.

I am not an adjacent house owner but I am writing as the Sea Way representative for the Middleton - on - Sea Association. In this capacity I have followed the many and various building projects in this road for the last twenty years, the majority of which have proceeded without any problems. I am also a retired chartered surveyor with some planning experience.

This house occupies one of the smallest sites in this road and might well have been considered to be over developed with the large extension built in 2010 and the two storey extension for which consent has already been given and which has now been amended. The inclusion of yet more buildings must surely constitute over development of the site by any standards and, certainly, by those expressed in the Village Design statement accepted by your council. If approved, there will be an almost unbroken line of buildings close by the boundary with No. 29 from very near to the road verge to not far from the greensward. I do not believe that there is any other property on this estate where such a situation has been allowed and which is certainly completely contrary to the spirit of the VDS especially in relation to space around buildings.

I do not believe that any case can be made for any further building in the front forecourt. I am aware that there are garages in three of the adjoining houses but in all these cases the garages are in much larger sites well set back from the front verge and far smaller than the large structure proposed so close to both front and side boundaries. Any building in this position will stand out visually from the roadway and will be out of keeping with the adjoining properties.

I hope, both for these reasons and others expressed by the Association and close neighbours that this application will be refused.

Yours faithfully
Oliver Roberts