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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: M/68/20/PL  
Site Address: Poultry Farm 87 Yapton Road Middleton-On-Sea PO22 6DY  
Description of works: Demolition of the existing structures & redevelopment to provide a new 66-bedroom care home arranged over two storeys together with associated access, car & cycle parking, structural landscaping & amenity space provision (resubmission following M/80/19/PL). This application is in CIL Zone 4 (Zero Rated) as 'other development'.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 21st September 2020 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC29744

There is a nationwide shortage of care workers and a 66 bed home for elderly residents will have great difficulty recruiting a sufficient staff/resident ratio to provide a reasonable level of care. The applicant must satisfy the planning authority with evidence that it has detailed plans for staff recruitment, both care workers and supervisors and that it will provide continuous training and supervision to provide safe and compassionate care for a 66 bed home.

Planning consent should be withheld until a government review is completed and published in respect of Covid 19 and its impact on care facilities. The disaster of the virus exposed bad practice in many care homes and disastrous outcomes for many elderly residents. The government is certain to demand changes to this sector that may impact on the proposed facility.

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. 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/planning-decision-process>.

Some applications will be determined by the Development Control 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/weekly-lists>

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