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**Subject:** planning application P/104/24/PL ambulance station, Harvest Drive Pagham

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Dear Ms Riches

I write in response to your consultation over this proposal and must relay to you, serious concerns and dismay as a resident living directly opposite the proposed ambulance post because little, if any, consideration has been given to residents living in the Regis Park development and especially to those living directly opposite the application site.

Additionally, there is no mention made of screening, restrictions on light pollution and controls on usage which is unusual in a full application.

Having spoken to my neighbour in number 10 Harvest Drive who has experience of these developments, he told me that a different crew arrives each day, little regard is given to the environment by the users (trees are continually knocked into though vehicle movements) and blue lights are on from when they sit in the vehicle.

I therefore strongly request that the size of this building is reduced to a maximum of 20 sq meters and a maximum limit of one crew applied.

The building is orientated to the south away from residents opposite to give some privacy (the windows look directly onto our properties less than 30 feet away-see below). It would also give some security to the scout 'hut' and provide a better environment for users to 'relax in' being south facing.

The building is screened by native trees and shrubs along Harvest drive and to the back of the building.

Lighting is restricted to the immediate area. Blue lights and sirens should not be turned on until the vehicle reaches Seftor Rd.

Construction is regulated to Monday to Friday and construction/constructor's vehicles are prohibited from parking in Harvest Drive or on the pavement.

Construction including the storage of materials is limited to the application area and any damage to the surrounding landscaping (which residents pay for from day one of occupation)

Is repaired immediately. Damage and disturbance has already occurred due to the recent laying of services across the new road. This has still not been repaired.

This is the view of the proposed building from my upstairs window.

You will notice how the proposed development impinges on our privacy, on the landscape amenity and on light levels in winter, with the low sun.



You will also notice the important wildlife and landscape feature of the mature treeline and hedgerow on the west of the application site which will be negatively affected by the construction, and the operation of the building.

Measures to mitigate the net biodiversity loss to this area from the building (loss of light, openness and noise/ people movement) should be added as part of the application. The existing treeline and hedgerow could be enhanced by the sympathetic planting of native species and screening planted again using native species tree and shrub species typical of clay soil.

Lighting should be on timers and modified to reduce dispersed light which is a known form of pollution.

I urge you to refuse this application on grounds of size and unmitigated impacts on wildlife, residents and those using the public footpaths and highways. These negative impacts far outweigh the social benefit of the proposed development and would likely increase over time as usage of the building became established and expanded (if the building size is not reduced). The negative impacts of the scout hut and the ambulance station should be considered in combination with each other.

Thank you for your consideration of these concerns.

Yours sincerely

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