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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: P/46/20/PL
Site Address: Land To North And South Of Summer Lane Pagham PO21 4NG
Description of works: Variation of condition 13 imposed under P/70/19/RES relating to temporary relaxation of planning hours from approved M-F 8AM-6PM & Saturday 8AM-1PM to M-S 8AM-9PM until 13th May 2021.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 25th June 2020 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC28032

I object to the application to extend the working hours on the Summer Lane site for approximately 10 months. This site is already underway, workers will be employed and it has a completion date, which could, if developers and contractors wished, be extended.

The Government's COVID-19 recovery strategy published by the Government on Monday 11 May makes clear that construction work can be undertaken across England providing sites are able to operate safely in line with the new COVID-19 Secure guidelines and social distancing and it appears to have given the green light for developers to apply for relaxation of hours and encourages local authorities to approve unless there are compelling reasons for rejection. However, permission should be seen as an option not as a foregone conclusion. Will they operate any more safely with an additional 23 hours per week.

The statement goes on to say - 'The need for the Statement will be reviewed when the requirement for social distancing on construction sites diminishes'. This has now happened and I hope this application is now not needed.

Condition 13 on the Decision Notice says - No construction / demolition activities shall take place, other than between 08:00 to 18:00 hours (Monday to Friday) and 08:00 to 13:00 hours (Saturday) with no works taking place on Sunday or Bank Holidays.

Reason: To protect the amenity of local residents in accordance with policies QE SP1 and QE DM1 of the Arun Local Plan.

This construction site is located next to an estate of 271 homes, of whom at least 50% are over 60. It is in the middle of a village of which 35% are over 65 years old. The current pandemic situation has a virus that targets

the lungs and immune system, a lockdown which has affected everyone's sense of well-being combined with the threat of a second wave occurring in the winter. Are Arun sufficiently medically trained to take the decision that this proposed increase in working hours and associated additional construction noise, dust and traffic will in anyway provide additional protection for the amenity of their local residents. Alternative mitigation - Extend the contract completion date.

This proposed application will not be seen to build good public relations between residents and developers and I believe it is unwarranted, it is unnecessary and is purely for the financial benefit of the contractors, developers and Arun District Council.

Jane Collins

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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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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