



Local Policing Support Team

Your Ref: P/97/20/PL

Our Ref: LM/ARU/20/33A

Date 14th October 2020

Contact Name: Lee Melbourne

Dear Mr Davis,

RE: Land To North Of Summer Lane Pagham PO21 4NG

Thank you for your correspondence of the 14th of October 2020, advising me of a planning application for Residential development of 36 No. dwellings (net increase of 15 over current consent P/70/19/RES) including affordable housing (additional 5 units) with associated access, parking & landscaping. This site is in CIL Zone 1 & 4 & is CIL Liable as new dwellings at the above location, for which you seek advice from a crime prevention viewpoint.

I have had the opportunity to examine the detail within the application and in an attempt to reduce the opportunity for crime and the fear of crime I offer the following comments from a Secured by Design (SBD) perspective. SBD is owned by the UK Police service and supported by the Home Office and Building Control Departments in England (Part Q Security – Dwellings), that recommends a minimum standard of security using proven, tested and accredited products. Further details can be found at www.securedbydesign.com

The National Planning Policy Framework demonstrates the government's aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which are safe and accessible, so that crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion. With the level of crime and anti-social behaviour in the Arun District being average when compared with the rest of Sussex, I have no major concerns with the proposals, however, additional measures to mitigate against any identified local crime trends and site specific requirements should always be considered.

I refer to previous correspondence from this office PE/ARU/15/11A dated 29th July 2015 in relation to planning application P/58/15/OUT and NW/ARU/15/11B in relation to P/70/19/RES dated the 11th September 2019 to which all matters remain extant.

Mr Davis
Planning Officer
Planning Control
Arun District Council

Sussex Police Headquarters
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I note that this application seeks to increase the density of the site from 90 to 105 units resulting in a net increase of 15 to the western parcel of land off Summer Lane.

The proposed changes have the effect of reducing the number of larger detached homes previously proposed replacing them with an increased number of smaller 2 & 3-bedroom semi-detached homes.

Having reviewed these changes I have no further comments to make from a crime prevention perspective.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to comment.

The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 heightens the importance of taking crime prevention into account when planning decisions are made. Section 17 of the Act places a clear duty on both police and local authorities to exercise their various functions with due regard to the likely effect on the prevention of crime and disorder. You are asked to accord due weight to the advice offered in this letter which would demonstrate your authority's commitment to work in partnership and comply with the spirit of The Crime & Disorder Act.

Yours sincerely

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