

Your Ref: R/210/11 Our Ref: PE/ARU/11/16/A Date: 07th November 2011
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Dear Mr Cronin

Re: Land at Rustington retail Park, New Road, Rustington.

Thank you for your letter of 12th October, advising me of a Renewal of unimplemented planning permission 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 endeavour to reduce the opportunity for crime and the fear of crime I offer the following comments.

The level of crime and anti social behaviour at the location is below average when compared to the rest of England and Wales.

I would like to direct your attention to my colleague's previous comments of PH/PL/ARU/08/09 to application R/72/08/ which remain extant.

The Safer Places document from the ODPM, (2004) offers a good practice guide for the creation of well designed and safe places through the planning system. 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.

This letter has been copied to the applicant or their agent who is asked to note that the above comments may be a material consideration in the determination of the application but may not necessarily be acceptable to the Local Planning Authority. It is recommended, therefore, that before making any amendments to the application, the applicant or their agent first discuss these comments with the Local Planning Authority.

Yours sincerely

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