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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 39

Application No: R/29/22/CLP

Site Address: Amberley Road Rustington BN16 2EE

Description of works: Lawful development certificate for the proposed installation of traffic calming measures by means of an automated gate, 2 No speed humps at north end of road.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 16th March 2022 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC45241

We would like to register our strong support in respect of the application for an electronic gate at the north end of Amberley Road. Although we live at the other end, we have been subject to several "near misses" when driving out of the road, due to cars cutting the corner when turning into Amberley Road at speed from Glenville Road, and then turning down Merton Avenue.

By far the greatest use of the north end of Amberley Road is from residents of adjacent roads, generally without following the advisory speed limit that exists for safety reasons. This inconsiderate driving, added to the absence of pavements in Amberley Road, is clearly an accident waiting to happen - indeed, it has nearly happened on numerous occasions.

An electronic gate would be a major benefit in respect of the safety of residents, and the many non-resident pedestrians from around the area, who use the road daily to reach the sea front, many of whom are wheelchair users.

I note a suggestion has been made that the gate would have an adverse effect on the access for emergency services vehicles but that is clearly not the case - for two reasons.

Firstly, it will be seen that the emergency services have raised no objection to the proposals.

Secondly, extensive research online shows that there are no reported issues by the emergency services with regard to ANY of the numerous gated entrances to other private roads in this area. Had there been then obviously they would have raised the point in their reply.

A suggestion was also made that the Council should adopt the north end of Amberley Road. Why should public money be spent in doing that when the road maintenance costs are currently financed by all the residents, who knowingly bought properties in a private road, and are happy to fund the installation of the electronic gate?

The residents of other roads who use Amberley Road have access to their properties via publicly maintained

roads, and using them would lead to a mere few seconds being added to their journey time. Surely that is a very small price to pay for the resultant safety benefits in Amberley Road?

We hope the planning authorities will accept that in the absence of any objections from the emergency services, the remaining issue of those in other roads having a fractionally longer journey time, is massively outweighed by the safety benefits to the residents of Amberley Road and the many non-resident pedestrians who use the road.

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

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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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