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Your Ref: OWPC21186
Our Ref: Y/103/18/PL 24-12-2018
Please ask for:
Mr S Davis

22nd January 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Single Chapel Crematorium with car parking, landscape works, surface water drainage features & associated highway improvements. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan.

10 Acre Field North of Grevatts Lane Yapton

Thank you for your internet representation made on 21st January 2019 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

Comment on Y/103/18/PL

I wish to object to this application.

The application is a departure from Arun District Council's approved local plan and should be refused on those grounds alone. However, if that obstacle is somehow overcome, I want to be clear that my objection is not to a crematorium - but to its location and details of the access and egress.

The crematorium should be refused because the proposed means of access creates an 'unacceptable impact on highway safety, and the residual cumulative impacts on the road network would be severe' (NPPF). The proposal is dangerous and flawed.

The proposal will create a junction comprising two slip roads off the A259

- The proposed junction is on an open road 60 mph section of the A259. The inevitable slow moving traffic created by the location of the crematorium at that point will adversely affect other road users, particularly as the hearse, and associated vehicles, slowly turns off the A259. This must increase the risk of conflict. In addition, anyone who uses that road on late afternoon winter days knows that the setting sun is directly in the eyes of drivers going west.

- The heavy use of the A259 makes turning on or off it a far from hazard free experience. When visualising how vehicles leave the crematorium, the similar junctions at Comet Corner, and particularly The Oystercatcher, junctions indicate it is difficult and therefore potentially hazardous to turn right or left.

- The entrance will cut across the recently installed shared use cycleway/footpath. Although perhaps possible to dismiss the conflict with WSCC policy (Walking and Cycling Strategy 2016-2026) that seeks to create an attractive network of cycle paths that will remove the need, for a few people at least, to use a bike instead of a car - nevertheless the fact remains that the benefit of a £2million spend by WSCC will be diminished because it will be tempting for someone on a bike to rejoin the main road to avoid the interruption to their journey. This is human nature and so it will happen. Therefore, there is also the inevitable increase in risk of conflict on this unlit section of a busy main road.

Yours sincerely

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If the application is to be determined at the Development Control Committee and your letter has been received after the agenda has been published, you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances, it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the website or telephone for further information. Please be advised that any comments received after the the Development Control Agenda has been produced will be reported to the meeting. Please also note that only a small number of all planning applications are determined at the Development Control Committee, most are determined by officers under delegated power.

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In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application, any representations made on the application will be automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours faithfully

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