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Proposed Building of two 3 bedroomed houses in garden of 26 Roman Road, Southwick

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Dear Sir / Madam

I am once again writing to strongly oppose the building application at 26 Roman Way.

I currently live at 182 Old Shoreham Road, I say currently as if this proposed development is agreed I will have no choice but to sell albeit at a reduced cost.

One of the best selling points about my property is the views across the gardens at the rear. It is a similar to a little haven of woodland and from both my rear bedrooms has views all the way to the sea. If planning permission is granted on this vast development it will not only affect me but the whole neighbourhood.

The vast imposing proposed development will have views into every back garden and destroy everyone's current individual privacy. The rear of my property (lounge and two main bedrooms) has open windows and any development will have direct views into these three rooms. Therefore, due to privacy I would be forced to add blinds to every window.

In addition, due to the vast size of this proposed development, access to current sunlight will be vastly restricted, as the development will cast a shadow over my entire garden. This is turn will affect any thing I wish to grow, which in turn will turn my lawn into a bog as it will no longer dry due to lack of sunlight.

Furthermore, I would like to point out the parking chaos which is due to take place in the surrounding area. The recently built flats have not been sold but have been built with one parking space per dwelling. I currently have to park anywhere I can find if I am fortunate I can sometimes park near my property. This is on the rare occasion the layby is not full; due to modern times most households have at least one car. Once the flats are fully populated the parking situation will potentially become a complete nightmare; being very honest it already is a major issue. The proposed development will no doubt add to the current parking issues, as potentially two small parking spaces may be insufficient for two family homes.

What I find most incredible about the development is the selfishness of Mr Chris Johnson, who was completely opposed to the recent development of the old Windmill Pub. As he is now proposing a development which blocks out his neighbours sunlight, restricts their right to privacy and destroys their property. In fact he was the first person to raise issues regarding the flats overlooking his property and taking away his privacy. However, he now appears to have no concern about his fellow neighbours.

In my opinion it would appear he is liaising with the contractor of the flats, as he has agreed access to the rear of his garden. Therefore, this makes me severely question what else has been agreed.

I would also like to point out a planning application for 192 Old Shoreham Rd, which was not granted as it blocked out sunlight to 190 Old Shoreham Rd due their side window. Surely if this was rejected because it blocked sunlight to one window on the side of a property, how can this planning application be approved when it would restrict the sunlight of most of the surrounding gardens.

I sincerely hope unlike the Windmill Pub development the valid and realistic concerns of the local residents are taken into account and actually acknowledged.

Once again.....I would like a planning officer to visit my property, enabling them to full appreciate my valid concerns and gain a clear understanding for how detrimental this proposed development would be to my privacy and property.

I very much look forward to your comments and visit to my property.

Yours faithfully

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