

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 07/07/2026 8:30 AM from Mr Gavin Dollin.

Application Summary

Address:	Land South East Corner Of Amberley Drive Marine Drive Worthing West Sussex
Proposal:	Commercial use of regenerated land, including use as a community green space for recreational and leisure use. Retention of land for biodiversity use. Bore hole for extraction of natural water. Use of land to produce natural green energy, for example solar. Provision of vehicle parking use (including overnight camping use for kite surfers and sea swimmers), 2 x 6m flag poles, provision of food and drink from temporary structures, mobile toilets, shower and baby changing facilities. Two recessed shipping containers for site storage and use. Tree shaded sandpit and tumble-down mound for young children and toddlers to use. Animals to use for entertainment purposes, for example Shetland ponies. A decorative flowerpot boat at site entrance. Bin storage use. A wheeled advertising trailer, measuring approx. 5 metres by 2.5 metres located within the site boundary to promote Worthing, local events and tourism.
Case Officer:	Gary Peck

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Customer Details

Name:	Mr Gavin Dollin
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Address:	52 Amberley Drive Worthing West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other - Overdevelopment - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	The proposal is clearly motivated by commercial interests, changing an environmental beauty spot into a commercial enterprise with a view for providing the foundation for further development later. The proposal is also confused, mixing the sale of alcohol with a children's playground and some for of petting zoo. It seems that this shotgun approach is designed to maximise his chances of getting something through the planning committee to then build on later. It also

seems to me that a large amount of this proposal is already in place. Mr Dixon is already charging people to park on this land, has established containers, toilets and refreshment facilities and is openly advertising the sale of alcoholic drinks. How has this been allowed to happen before permission has been granted? It strikes me as a complete disdain for the planning process and consideration of residence in the area.

The Goring Gap is one of the last if not the only remaining Gap in the south east. It is regularly used and enjoyed by residents and visitors to the area. There are several wildlife that use the fields such as skylarks, foxes and other coastal wildfowl. This development will undoubtedly impact on their environment and their survival.

We already have a problem with young people using Amberley Drive as a racing track and meeting place where there is evidence of drug use eg needles and canisters being discarded in the area. Do we really want to encourage this by the addition of selling alcohol as well? What are the implications for policing in the area particularly when travellers visit the site. We can't seem to control them now let alone when they are being given a site to camp and drink.
