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To: Planning - <planning@adur-worthing.gov.uk>

I write to you to contest the above planning application. I have tried to register on the A&W Councils website to lodge my complaint but there seems to be an on-going issue (see attached error message). I have tried perhaps 15 times over the last 24 hours.

As a local resident I feel that the plans made will not only affect the market value of the properties directly adjacent to the site but perhaps more importantly the quality of life. The natural acoustics of the site will amplify the considerable noise generated - proof has been on the handful of occasions when the site has been successfully used for family events. During these times it has been literally impossible to enjoy your own outdoor space over the noise pollution. Proposed plans to utilise this space from 7am to 10pm Monday to Saturday and 9am to 8pm Sundays would allow literally no respite.

As a comparison, I own a couple of industrial warehouses on the Northbrook Business Park in Worthing. As the business park is situated in a residential area (and in no way in as close a vicinity as this site), we are subject to very strict operating hours Monday to Friday and no operations over the weekend. I therefore do not understand how consideration would even be permitted for a site adjacent to residents. Can you imagine trying to sit in your garden after a hard day's work only to have your peace shattered by hundreds of people on the other side of your boundary wall? And that's not even to mention the high possibility of anti-social behaviour, the smell, pollution, litter and fly tipping.

Aside from planned events and the disturbance this will undoubtedly cause, there is also the provision for air conditioning units. I am sure you can appreciate the noise and pollution that just one of these units emits. Imagine this multiplied by 17.

And all this is just the noise.

Historically the site has been occupied by a company operating an office and small storage warehouse, Monday to Friday during normal office hours. No noise, no disturbance and certainly no invasion of privacy. The provision of this planning application is to permit the stacking of shipping containers to nearly 6 meters in height. 6 meters? The surrounding garden walls of the residents are typically 2-3 meters. How would you like to have numerous unsightly shipping containers looming over your property, blocking your view whilst looking into your home?

There is no doubt that the site should be put to good use. It is a prime location which is unfortunately serviced by narrow one-way streets, no parking (and what on-street parking there is is inadequate for the residents themselves) and deep within an old residential area. It is wholly unsuitable for the proposed use.

I would urge the Planning Department to reject this application.

Regards
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