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COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/Y3805/W/25/3368011

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference	APP/Y3805/W/25/3368011
Appeal By	SOUND INVESTMENTS LTD
Site Address	Europa House 46-50 Southwick Square Southwick West Sussex BN42 4FJ

SENDER DETAILS

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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☑ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Objection to the Appeal to Proposal for Additional Parking Spaces at Europa House.

The proposal to remove the existing public area in order to provide additional parking spaces for Europa House is both wholly unsafe and entirely unnecessary.

The area in question is already subject to parking restrictions via double yellow lines, as it sits on a dangerous corner where vehicles and people access Southwick Square. It is also a regular pedestrian crossing point—used by people heading toward the Green and by children accessing the playground. Introducing parking spaces in this location would require vehicles to cross, and often reverse over, the public pavement to enter and exit—posing a clear safety risk to pedestrians.

It is therefore difficult to comprehend how this could be considered a safe or acceptable "improvement" to Europa House.

Furthermore, recent communications from the council regarding forthcoming road works have acknowledged that pedestrian access to Southwick Green from surrounding roads is currently unsafe and requires improvement. Allowing additional vehicle access at one of the most crucial pedestrian entry points to the Green would directly contradict these safety objectives and would do nothing to enhance public safety in the area.