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Shop 57 Elm Grove West Sussex

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Jonathan Lovel [redacted] 23 January 2025 at 14:24
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Dear Sir/Madam

Elm Grove Convenience Store (57 Elm Grove) Shop - is sited in close vicinity to a school.
At times parking is almost impossible for both those who are dropping children off to school and residence living close to the school.
Elm Grove is a busy residential area with little or no spare parking available. Elm Grove Convenience Store does not provide off-road parking for people picking up parcels.
And people are picking up and dropping off parcels 24 hours a day.

This installation of an In-Post Locker and shop-frontage changes are inappropriate. The new access to the flat above is now blocked by the In-Post locker itself.

As time passes, disturbances are increasing for owners of the residences around the school and shop.
The houses opposite were built before Elm Grove School and Elm Grove Convenience Store - and therefore the 'custom' is with the residence of the houses opposite.
This is standard practice in respect to rights under the Common Law. Therefore this planning application should be rejected on the basis of disturbance alone.
There are better places to place this locker elsewhere.

There is also light pollution.
The locker is lit all night. At one point the shop-frontage was also lit all night, but the owners have now decided to turn off the lights when the shop closes – which is commendable and the owner should be thanked for that.

But in summary, it's already a very busy place/space.
The owner does not live at the shop and does not realise the disturbances that are taking place - around the clock.

A major concern is that retrospective planning applications are being submitted after various works have taken place.
Will there be other retrospective planning applications being put forward after works have been done?
This is not an honest and fair way to proceed regarding planning issues. These application should be presented before the Planning Committee at Worthing Borough Council.

Kind regards

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