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Subject: Re: AWDM/0707/25 Montague Centre
To: Louise Prew <louise.prew@adur-worthing.gov.uk>

Hi Louise,

The proposed substation would occupy a new building within the public domain at the base of the original service ramp. When the Montague Centre was originally designed, this area was carefully conceived to act as a focal point at the end of Shelley Road using a bold feature of three large windows framed by 4 Caryatids replicating the heads found on the entrance gateway to Park Crescent. The adjacent service ramp rises up behind a large arched gateway.
During design negotiations with the current owners of the Montague Centre for the addition of extra floors, careful consideration was given to maintaining this particular vista. It is therefore disappointing that a new substation has now had to be proposed in this location. Within the adjacent tarmaced, Council owned car park there is a substation, but apparently the siting of another substation, in this less prominent location has been ruled out. The proposed substation has been designed to try to align with the Neo-Georgian styling of the Montague Centre, although it will still read as an uncharacteristic add on to the overall form of the main building.

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