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I strongly object to the planning application for the site of Land South East Corner of Amberley Drive by Mr C Dixon.

This site is on Protected Green Space as mentioned in the Worthing Local Plan 2020-2036. Section 3, Page 59. It should remain a green space and wildlife habitat.

The Proposals:

Flowerpot Boat; serves absolutely no purpose.

Flag Poles; will commercialise the site and be a distraction to drivers on a busy road.

Sandpit/Tumbledown Mound; these are already provided in natural form across the road at the beach.

Bore Hole; disturbing wildlife and can't be packed away at the end of the season.

Solar Panels; unsightly.

Food/Alcohol Vans; there are already two great cafes within reasonable walking distance along with regular coffee and ice cream vans parked alongside the Greensward. The food will attract rats and the alcohol may encourage drink driving.

Toilets; there are toilets facilities by the beach. No disabled toilet facilities are mentioned.

Shipping Containers; definitely not in keeping with the natural environment.

Bin Storage; will attract rats/mice.

Ponies; unnecessary and cruel in that environment especially as no mention of shelter or any clear provisions.

Advertising Trailer; the Worthing Local Plan states that "public art should be incorporated with any development proposal" and "consent will only be granted for advertisements which respect the character and appearance of the surrounding area and do not create a danger or hazard to people". How will children be prevented from climbing on it. Once again it will also be a distraction to drivers along Marine Drive.

Noise/Disturbance/Smells; these will be a particular nuisance to the residents of Aldsworth Avenue but depending on the direction and speed of the wind, may spread further. They will also disturb the natural wildlife of the area. Rats and snakes will be attracted.

Camping; the watersports enthusiasts that frequent the area already park along the Greensward as this gives them easy access, across the grass to the beach. If they were to camp they would have to carry cumbersome equipment across Marine Drive and try to get large items between parked cars. WSCC prohibits overnight stopping along the Greensward and camping is not allowed. I don't see why this site should receive permission to do so.

Highway/Safety/Traffic; an extra 150 cars would put more pressure on an already busy stretch of road. The entrance is nearly concealed and with cars parked along the Greensward it means anyone travelling East to West have to saddle the central white lines. This will make it difficult for people pulling out of the site and, for the cars travelling West in the afternoon, the sun will be in their eyes. Any signage by the entrance could cause a driver to brake hard to read it.

Parking; there is ample parking along the Greensward and all of the way around Amberley Drive. The site only has one gate for drivers to enter and exit. No mention of parking marshals. Should it rain the site will become muddy and that mud will be transferred onto Marine Drive, making it a skid hazard, especially for motorcycles.

☆ Disabled Facilities; absolutely nowhere in any of these proposals is the mention of anything to do with the disabled community. This is a breach of the 2010 Equality Act designed to make events etc., accessible for all.

These proposals have very little clarity and are quite chaotic. Nothing is in keeping with the natural beauty of the area and, quite honestly, none of it is needed. The people and families that visit Goring Gap bring with them picnics, gazebos and everything they need for a cheap day by the sea.

On 23rd May 2025 it was reported on the BBC website and the Argus that Mr Dixon would not be applying for anymore Planning Permission and that he would sell the land!!

In conclusion I request that this latest planning application is refused.

Kind regards,
Mrs S Batchelor
Ferring Resident.