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Subject: Planning Application AWDM/0737/26 – Objection
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Re: Planning Application AWDM/0737/26 – Objection

Dear Planning Officer,

I wish to object to planning application **AWDM/0737/26**.

I believe this proposal would have a significant adverse impact on the character, environment and amenity of this important coastal location.

My reasons for objecting are as follows:

- The scale and intensity of the proposed development is wholly inappropriate for this sensitive site, particularly within the Goring Gap, which is valued for its open and undeveloped character.
- The proposal includes parking for approximately 150 vehicles, overnight camping, food and drink outlets, entertainment facilities and other commercial activities, all of which would substantially urbanise what is currently an open green space.
- Increased traffic, noise, light pollution and general activity would have a detrimental effect on nearby residents and visitors who value the area for its tranquillity.
- The site is an important area for wildlife and biodiversity. I am concerned that the proposed commercial uses and increased visitor numbers would disturb habitats and wildlife despite references to biodiversity within the application.
- The development would set an undesirable precedent for further commercialisation of this stretch of coastline, leading to the gradual erosion of its unique character.
- I do not believe the proposal respects local planning policies intended to protect the coastal landscape and maintain the openness of the Goring Gap.

While I support appropriate recreational opportunities and the promotion of tourism, I do not believe this proposal strikes the right balance between development and the long-term protection of this environmentally sensitive area.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that Worthing Borough Council refuses planning permission for application AWDM/0737/26.

Yours faithfully,

Ian Johnson