CONSULTATION UNDER ARTICLE 10 OF THE

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)

(ENGLAND) ORDER 2010

South Downs National Park Authority

Consultation Response

Planning application consultation

The response of the South Downs National Park Authority is given in the context of the following:

Adur and Worthing Councils

AWDM/0241/15

Erection of single story museum and display building to replace existing temporary workshop building

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'The Environment Act 1995 sets out the two statutory purposes for National Parks in England and Wales:

Conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage

Promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of National Parks by the Public

When National Parks carry out these purposes they also have the duty to:

Seek to foster the economic and social well being of local communities within the National Parks.'

Following is the formal consultation response of the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) on the above application.

The site for the new single storey building would be in the North West corner of the existing industrial complex, adjacent to the A27, with the boundary of the South Downs National Park running along the north side of the A27.

In the context of the industrial complex within which the new industrial building would be located, and the A27 trunk road in-between, it is not considered that the new building would be detrimental to the setting of the South Downs National Park. However, it would be appropriate to avoid or minimise any external lighting proposed to help keep light spill/glow into the National Park, to a minimum.

As the landscape, with its special qualities, is the main element of the nearby South Downs National Park and its setting, attention is drawn to the South Downs Integrated Landscape Character Assessment (Updated 2011) as a key document as part of the overall assessment of the impact of the development proposal, both individually and cumulatively, on the landscape character of the setting of the South Downs National Park; this document can be found at:

http://www.southdowns.gov.uk/about-us/integrated-landscape-character-assessment

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Taking into account the above in the determination of this application, the SDNPA would also draw attention of Adur and Worthing Councils, as a relevant authority, to the Duty of Regard, as set out in the DEFRA guidance note at:

http://archive.defra.gov.uk/rural/documents/protected/npaonb-duties-guide.pdf

It may also be helpful to consider the development proposals in the context of National Park Circular 2010 for guidance on these issues at:https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/221086/pb13387-vision-circular2010.pdf

The SDNPA trust that the above comments are helpful to Adur and Worthing Councils in the appraisal and determination of this planning application, in consideration of the setting and special qualities of the South Downs National Park.

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