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PLANNING REFUSAL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) (AMENDMENT) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015

APPLICATION NUMBER: AWDM/1123/25

Details of Development
APPLICATION TO VARY CONDITION 12 (NO OCCUPATION OF PLOTS 1, 2 OR 3A OR 3B SHALL COMMENCE UNLESS AND UNTIL THE DRIVE HAS BEEN DEMOLISHED) OF APPROVED AWDM/0692/20 TO NO OCCUPATION OF PLOTS 1 OR 2 SHALL COMMENCE UNLESS AND UNTIL THE DRIVE HAS BEEN DEMOLISHED.

Location of Development
THE DRIVE MILL LANE WORTHING WEST SUSSEX BN13 3DF

In pursuance of their powers under the above-mentioned Act and Order the Council hereby notify you that they REFUSE to permit the above development, in accordance with the application and relevant correspondence registered on 3rd September 2025.

The reasons for the Council's decision to refuse to permit the development are stated on the schedule overleaf.

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29/10/2025

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Reasons for Refusal

01. The continued siting of 'The Drive' on the site not in accordance with condition 12 of AWDM/0692/20 has a detrimental impact on the amenities of the occupants of particularly plot 3b in terms of detrimental visual impact and loss of light but also plots 3a, 4 and Radisson House, 77 Mill Lane in terms of visual impact and use and operation of the site. The variation of the condition would protract the harm to the amenity of the occupants contrary to policy DM5 of the Worthing Local Plan and relevant policies of the NPPF.

Informatives / Notes to Applicant

01. For the avoidance of doubt this refusal relates to the application form registered on 3rd September 2025.

02. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern with the proposal and discussing those with the Applicant. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to resolve those matters within the timescale allocated for the determination of this planning application. However, the Local Planning Authority has clearly set out, within its report, the steps necessary to remedy the harm identified within the reasons for refusal - which may lead to the submission of a more acceptable proposal in the future. The Local Planning Authority is willing to provide pre-application advice in respect of any future application for a revised development

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YOUR ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO THE FOLLOWING NOTES FROM THE ABOVE ORDER. THEY ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND DO NOT PRETEND TO SET OUT THE WHOLE OF THE LAW ON THE SUBJECT. IT WOULD BE WELL FOR YOU TO CONSULT YOUR SOLICITOR IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT

Appeals to the Secretary of State

1. If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. If the decision relates to a householder application, and you want to appeal, then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. If the decision relates to a non-householder application, an appeal must be lodged within 6 months of the date of the decision notice. Appeals can be made online at: https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

3. The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

4. The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to him that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

5. In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the local planning authority based their decision on a direction given by him.

Purchase Notices

6. If either the local planning authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted. In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the District Council in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Planning Act 1990.

7. Where this notice conveys approval or permission, conditional or unconditional, please note that the decision given does not purport to convey any consent or approval which may be required under the Building Act and Building Regulations, or any other legislation.