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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 September 2017 08:53
To: Planning
Cc: Howson, Paul
Subject: Fw: Former Scout Headquarters, Range Road, Hythe - Y17/1066/SH

Please can you ignore my earlier comments as their was an error, please amend as follows:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have no objection in principle to the redevelopment of this site for housing in the form of apartments as I understand the Scouts may have been adequately relocated in Hythe.

However I object to a 4 storey building in this location. Whilst the site is to the east of the predominantly 4 storey Fishermans Beach development, this is on the opposite side of an access road to Fishermans Beach. The site itself immediately adjoins a 1-2 storey physiotherapy centre, and has bungalows immediately opposite. The site should be read more in conjunction with properties in the block east of the Fishermans beach access road, between Range Road, St Leonards Road and the Beach. These are all 1-3 storey, including the adjoining listed buildings that form part of Griggs.

The proposal for a 4 storey building is also very close to the garden, kitchen and some of the consulting rooms of the Physiotherapy centre, which is likely to significantly reduce light and privacy. There will also be an overbearing impact of the bungalows opposite.

I believe a more sympathetic proposal would be to reduce the scheme by one storey, which would relate better to immediately adjoining buildings, including listed buildings, and reduce neighbour impacts.

As the site was formerly in community use consideration should be given to a contribution to community benefits via a S106 agreement. The site immediately adjoins a key access route to Fishermans Beach and Griggs, which is also used by the public to gain access to the beach. This access should be protected and enhanced as part of the public realm. Consideration should be given to a S106 contribution towards the potential improvement of this adjoining access road, especially if the owners have any connection to the ownership of the beach access road as suggested by some local people. However this is not clear from the application form.

Yours Sincerely,

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