

# FAIRLIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

*Clerk to the Council: Pauline Collins*

Dear resident

**RR/2022/2069/P Former Market Garden Lower Waites Lane, Fairlight TN35 4DB -** Variation of Conditions(s) 2, 22, 23 imposed on RR/2017/457/P. To amend site layout to accommodate enlarged wildlife area.

There has been a new planning application submitted for the Market Garden site. This has been necessitated because the badgers' sett at the rear of Fairlight Gardens' garages has been found to have expanded. The new application proposes to move two houses to accommodate this. (Plots 13 and 15).

As a result of moving these houses:

1. The turning circle area becomes significantly smaller, necessitating bin lorries and large vehicles to do a possible eight-point turn.
2. Two parking spaces will be removed
3. The size of the bin store will be significantly reduced and relocated.
4. The bike storage has been removed completely.

The outcome of these changes is felt by the Parish Council Planning Committee to have a negative effect on this development for these reasons:

1. Parking is already an issue around Fairlight Gardens and at the junction of Lower Waites Lane and Waites Lane. There is very little parking available off the site and the number of parking spaces allocated on the site is less than two per household. This does not allow for visitors parking or for parking for tradesmen etc.
2. The decrease in size of the turning circle will require vehicles to do a complicated manoeuvre. Also, to carry out this manoeuvre would be dangerous on a road that is otherwise quiet, may well have children playing on it and has no pavements.
3. The reduction in the dimensions of the bin store and thus the decrease in the number and overall capacity of the bins being provided will probably not be sufficient to accommodate the refuse/recycling from the six houses. This will cause rubbish and detritus to accumulate around the bin store.

The bin store has also been relocated next door to the badgers' sett. Badgers have a reputation for foraging and are likely to cause damage to the bins and bags stored in the bin store. In addition, the distance of the waste bins from the houses that would be using them has increased and should be considered.

If you wish to make a comment, share your thoughts or concerns on this planning application. This can be done by visiting the Rother District Council website – Planning and Building Control section from the home page. The reference number is **RR/2022/2069/P**. The closing date for all comments is 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022.