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Good afternoon

Arun District Council Planning Notifications

We would be interested to know of your experience with the following issues regarding the advertising of planning applications.

Evidence suggests from representations made during recent public forums that more needs to be done to ensure that residents are appropriately engaged in the planning process.

Our present issues are as follows:

- Planning notices attached to various items of street furniture disappear.
- Letters of notification no longer go to neighbouring properties
- Publication of notices is now limited to the West Sussex Gazette and they no longer appear in the Littlehampton Gazette

In order to judge the extent of these issues we would appreciate your views and comments. We then intend to use the information to support a representation to the District Council and at the very least request the re- instatement of sending notifications to neighbouring properties.

Thank you for your help.

Kind regards
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Dear Councillor's Lanzer and Charles

04 September 2017

Re: Bus Services

I recently met with representatives from Stagecoach South to discuss how they engage with us with regard to service changes and new developments.

In a very constructive discussion it does appear to us that we are not engaging with our major bus transport provider sufficiently. Whilst I acknowledge that in terms of the planning process, public transport providers are not statutory consultees, it was clear that in relying on the public inspection process they are not being consulted as early as they should. This is particularly important in relation to new developments as they need sufficient opportunity at the design stage to think about how bus services can adapt to try and serve these new centres of population.

In respect of road improvements and new roads we do not seem to be engaging with them at an early enough stage either. For example, it appears that they were not specifically consulted on the planned improvements to the A259. When these works take place sometimes small measures at junctions, or bus lanes, for example can make a major difference to the efficient running of bus services. Something which is essential if we want people to get out of cars and start using public transport. Bus priority measures have made a huge contribution to this shift in behaviour in other parts of the country. We believe it is also essential that Stagecoach are fully engaged in the public consultations regarding improvements to the A27 in West Sussex.

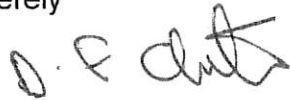
With the strategic housing allocations being suggested in the Arun Local Plan it is essential that Stagecoach have the chance to plan and understand what is being said in transport plans accompanying applications and what developer contributions may or may not be available. In some cases, it is likely they will be able to serve new

development without the need for subsidy if the thinking around routes and locations is properly co-ordinated.

With this in mind, I would like to propose forming a "Bus Forum", to meet periodically, for the Arun area at which Stagecoach, ADC, WSCC and the parishes could attend to hear the latest plans from Stagecoach and give feedback directly to them. Possibly other operators could attend as well. We do understand that we must be careful to protect the integrity of the tender process for new routes.

We would be prepared to host the first of these if there is considered to be merit in the idea and would invite your comments on the suggestion.

Yours sincerely



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