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Dear Councillor

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 27TH MAY, 2020

Please find enclosed, for consideration at the virtual, special meeting of the Development Control Committee taking place on Wednesday, 27th May, 2020, a copy of the supplementary report, setting out issues that were not available when the agenda was printed.

Yours faithfully

Tim Row
Principal Democratic Services Officer

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Development Control Committee 27th May 2020

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

18/02302/BC4M

Consultation

3 additional representations have been received which make the following summarised comments:

- Development is a concern.
- Concerns relating to loss of 1-3 Herbert Grove which is rented from Southend Council and if development goes ahead will render occupiers homeless.
- Request lease for 1-3 Herbert Grove is extended for a further 2 years.
- Concerns relating to loss of existing parking.
- Increase in traffic and congestion, particularly in summer months.
- People do not use public transport currently. Until there is a park and ride people will use their cars. People are currently being discouraged from using public transport.
- Corona virus means existing business will struggle to survive.
- Existing shopping centres lack vibrancy and imagination.

Officer comment: the lease arrangements at 1-3 Herbert Grove is a separate matter between the tenants and landowner and is not a material planning consideration. Considerations relating to parking and transport are considered in detail in the agenda. The current situation with the Coronavirus pandemic does not constitute a planning reason to refuse the application.

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