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Horsham District Council

Lawful Development Questionnaire

Application No: DC/25/0009
Applicant: N/A
Description of Activity: Application to confirm the the laying of a private access track and associated storage area on a date four years previous (Lawful Development Certificate - Existing).
Site Address: Land Which Forms Part of Mannings Heath Golf Club & Wine Estate, Hammerpond Road, Mannings Heath

Your Name and Address: [redacted]
9 THE QUARRIES,
MANNINGS HEATH,
RH13 6SW.

Information being requested – Please answer the following questions as fully as you can. Any information you can provide is important. Thank you.

1. Do you know the site and if so from about what date and how? e.g. because you are a neighbour or have been there or seen activity etc.

YES. FROM APPROX 1990. BECAUSE I HAVE USED THE PROW FOR WALKS IN THE PARISH.

2. Do you know who operates from the site or lives there? If so who?

THE MANNINGS HEATH GOLF CLUB, OWNED BY LEONARDSLEE.

3. Are you aware of the Activity described above and if so from when.
How would you describe what goes on or what is there?
What do you know of the use or development that exists and how in

[redacted]

YES, IT HAS AFFECTED ME. I HAD TO WAIT ON THE PROW WHILST 12 P.T.O. GOLF CLUB BUGGIES CROSSED THE PROW IN FRONT OF ME [redacted] IT HAS SPOILT THE VIEWS FROM THE PROW. IT HAS CREATED A SAFETY HAZARD AT THE JUNCTION OF THE PROW + HAMMERPOND ROAD. IT HAS URBANISED THE LOCALITY (HIGH WEALD AONB) WITH ITS CONCOMITANT CAR PARK AND DAMAGED ANCIENT WOODLAND.

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4.	Would you like to tell the Council anything else that you think the Council ought to be aware of at the Site?

IN MY OPINION — THIS LATEST ACTION BY THE GOLF CLUB IS TO USE A RECENTLY DISCOVERED CHANGE TO LEGISLATION TO EVADE COMPLYING WITH PLANNING RULES + ENFORCEMENT ACTION *

THE FACTS REMAIN:

1. THIS IS HIGH WEALD ANOB, ~~ASI~~ AND ANCIENT WOODLAND
2. THE GOLF CLUB DID NOT PROPERLY APPLY FOR PLANNING PERMISSION AS EVERYONE IS OBLIGED TO.

3. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE MANNINGS HEATH GOLF CLUB WISH TO ACHIEVE VEHICULAR ACCESS FROM HAMMERPOND ROAD ACROSS THE VINYARD USING THIS "PRIVATE ACCESS TRACK" TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE "BARN" WHERE IT HAS PERMISSION TO MAKE WINE.

BUT: WSCC HIGHWAYS HAVE SAID THAT "SATISFACTORY VISIBILITY SPLAYS ARE UNACHIEVABLE" AT THE JUNCTION OF THE PROW + HAMMERPOND ROAD.

~~THE APPLICANT HAS UNTIL AUGUST~~ ACCORDING TO MY READING OF THE LEGISLATION, THIS LEGISLATION WILL WORK IN THE APPLICANT'S FAVOUR AFTER AUGUST 2025 – ALTHOUGH HDC WILL STILL HAVE SOME POWER TO INSIST ON ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

I VERY MUCH TRUST THAT THE GOLF CLUB IS ISSUED WITH ENFORCEMENT ACTION AND THAT IT REALISES THAT PLANNING RULES APPLY TO EVERYONE EQUALLY.

I ALSO HAVE GRAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE COST OF THE GOLF CLUB'S CONTINUED NON COMPLIANCE TO THE PUBLIC PURSE. AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT IS EVERYONE WHO PAYS COUNCIL TAX WHO FUNDS THE NON-COMPLIANCE OF THE GOLF CLUB WITH PLANNING RULES.

Signed [redacted]

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