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Dear Sir/Madam

**Mid Sussex Ref:** AP/24/0030  
**Planning Inspectorate Ref:** APP/D3830/W/24/3344121  
**Land At:** 68 And 70 Keymer Road Hassocks West Sussex BN6 8QP  
**Proposed Development:** Redevelopment for retirement living accommodation for older people comprising 41no. apartments including communal facilities, access, car parking and landscaping. (Amended plans received including revised fenestration and internal layout. Additional plans including sections and boundary treatments 10/04/2024).  
**Appeal By:** Churchill Retirement Living  
**Start Date:** 31st May 2024

I am writing to let you know that an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State in respect of the above site. The appeal follows the failure of Mid Sussex District Council for failure to give notice of its decision within the appropriate period for permission or approval.

The appeal will be determined on the basis of an inquiry. You will be advised of the date and venue when the arrangements have been finalised. The procedure to be followed is set out in The Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Inspectors) (Inquiries Procedure) (England) Rules 2000, as amended.

For any group or organisation who wish to take an active part in the Inquiry, the opportunity is available to apply for what is known as Rule 6 status. Although unusual, there is also scope for interested individuals to take part on the same basis. Rule 6 status means that you would be able to present your evidence on a formal basis and cross examine the evidence of others. You can find guidance at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apply-for-rule-6-status-on-a-planning-appeal-or-called-in-application>

Arrangements for the Inquiry are currently being finalised by the Planning Inspectorate. These will include a pre-Inquiry conference call with the lead parties to deal with procedural and administrative matters, including how the evidence will be heard. As a Rule 6 party, it is anticipated that you would also be a part of that process. If, having read the above guidance, you wish to apply for Rule 6 status and/or have any related questions, you should contact the

Planning Inspectorate immediately. If you are interested but are unable to access the guidance electronically, again, you should contact the Planning Inspectorate who will try and assist.

If, having read the above guidance, you wish to apply for Rule 6 status it is essential that you contact the Planning Inspectorate immediately.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so online at: <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>. If you do not have access to the internet, you can send your comments to:

**Kerr Brown  
Major Casework  
Temple Quay House  
2 The Square  
Bristol  
BS1 6PN**

Your representation must reach the Planning Inspectorate not later than **5th July 2024**. Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. All representations must quote the Planning Inspectorate's Reference APP/D3830/W/24/3344121 / .

The Planning Inspectorate will not acknowledge representations. They will, however, ensure that your letter is passed on to the Inspector dealing with the appeal.

Copies of the appeal form, appellants grounds of appeal, together with other documents which the Local Planning Authority will be submitting to the Planning Inspectorate may be inspected at these offices during normal office hours or through the Council's website [www.midsussex.gov.uk/planningregister](http://www.midsussex.gov.uk/planningregister) and select the 'Appeals' button and enter the reference **AP/24/0030** in the search field. An explanatory booklet "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" is available via the GOV.UK website at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal>.

When made, the decision will be published online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>.

Yours faithfully



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