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**REF:** AP/20/0053  
**DATE:** 5th November 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

## **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

### **PUBLIC INQUIRY TO BE HELD AS A VIRTUAL EVENT**

**OPENING ON 9TH MARCH 2021 AT 10:00 AM**

#### **REASON FOR INQUIRY**

Appeal by Fairfax Acquisitions Limited relating to the application to Mid Sussex District Council for Outline planning application for up to 32 new dwellings, comprising 90% affordable housing units, and 10% open market units, with access from Birchgrove Road, open space, associated infrastructure and landscaping. All matters reserved except for access at **Land At Birchgrove Road, Horsted Keynes, West Sussex, .**

An Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State will hold an Inquiry opening on the date shown above to decide the appeal. The Inquiry will be held as a virtual event run by an Inspector in the normal way, but with the parties invited to join via Microsoft Teams or telephone.

#### **Documents relating to the appeal can be viewed on the Council website**

<https://pa.midsussex.gov.uk/online-applications/> and select the '**Appeals**' tab using reference **AP/20/0053**. Anyone wishing to attend the Inquiry must make that interest known to the Planning Inspectorate Case Officer as soon as possible prior to the Inquiry, either by email or telephone after reading the Inquiry Attendance Information set out below. When contacting the Case Officer, it would be helpful if you could confirm whether you want to take an active part in the discussions or anticipate attending just as an observer (see below).

#### **Inquiry Attendance Information**

Before deciding whether to take an active part in the Inquiry, you need to think carefully about the points you wish to make. All written submissions to the application and appeal will be taken into account by the Inspector and re-stating the same points won't add any additional weight to them.

If you feel that taking part in the Inquiry is right for you in whatever capacity, you can participate in a number of ways:

To take part using video, participants will need to have access to Microsoft Teams (via an app or web browser). This link gives further information on how to use this. <https://support.office.com/en-us/teams>. Alternatively, you can take part by telephone. Calls would be to an 020 number which will incur charges. <https://www.gov.uk/call-charges>

#### **PLANNING SERVICES DIVISION**

Sally Blomfield  
Divisional Leader for Planning and Economy

If you just wish to observe the event, you should make that clear in your response to the Case Officer.

If you wish to take an active part in the proceedings, please make clear in your response whether you wish only to appear at the Inquiry and make a statement, or whether you would also wish to ask questions on particular topics.

If you want to take an active part but feel unable to for any reason, and/or the points you want to make are not covered in the evidence of others, consider whether someone else could raise them on your behalf.

Registered participants in whatever capacity will receive individual joining instructions, providing details of any requirements, guidance and support, whether joining by Teams or telephone.

**Planning Inspectorate Reference:**

APP/D3830/W/20/3261311

**Case Officer contact at the Planning Inspectorate:**

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Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "SA Blenheim". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Divisional Leader for Planning and Economy

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