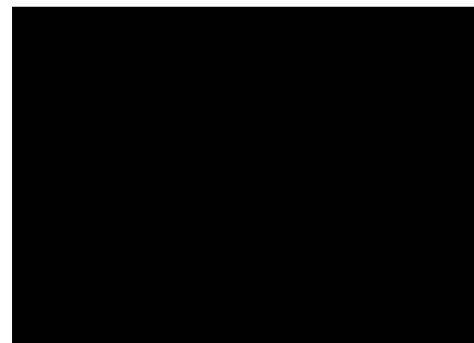




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Dear Mr Weaver,

APP21/01310 _ Tournerbury _ SUPPORT.

My support for this application follows on from my previous support for the previous one. I am writing to you to correct some of the statements made by

[REDACTED]

For your information I virtually grew up on Tournerbury Farm, riding horses almost daily from the age of 5 (some 50 or so years ago!) round the farm and the woods with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I ceased doing this after the Snells sold the farm in 1987. I no longer ride but I am privileged to be allowed to walk around the woods to this present day.

The picture painted by [REDACTED] Before the Phillips's bought Tournerbury farm it was absolutely stunning, almost New Forest-like, a rural idyll that we can only dream about today. It was actually 'a working farm'.

Today it is a disgrace; scrap metal, skips, pallets of builders' materials, rotting scrap vehicles etc are littered everywhere – and the cynic might say, deliberately placed to impose on the Right of Way.

[REDACTED] talks of "cigarette butts.....being a fire risk" whilst ignoring the constant stream of local builders and landscapers dumping combustible rubbish that gets burnt at the waste site within meters of the hay barn. Ignoring the environmental damage done by this, the hypocrisy and sanctimony of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] making a case for her friends at Tournerbury Farm whilst this goes on for their profit is abhorrent.

Absolutely ZERO trees have been “cleared for parking and camping” and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] should know better than to defame and slander other people in a public forum without concrete evidence, (and yes on my walks I have taken photographs of building contractors dumping waste and then being burnt by Mr Phillips, in case it is not lawful. It is certainly putrid when it is burning and it is not ‘green waste’ unless you class fireproof doors, plasterboard, kitchen units, furniture, pallets and fence panels as ‘green waste’?)

[REDACTED] makes the case that the application should be turned down because it has been ‘running without permission’ - well that is for the Council to decide, but pots shouldn’t call kettles black. I can’t find any reference on your planning portal for even 10% of the activities and development at Tournerbury Farm that are in situ today, unless for some strange reason all of these activities were granted planning permission and the Council have now taken them off the portal?

Over the 50+ years I have known Tournerbury Woods it has never looked in better shape. Differing stands of trees, beehives to promote pollination, dead wood left standing to promote ecosystem services and biodiversity, this is a place that is cherished and loved.

Over the 50+ years I have known Tournerbury farm it has never looked less like a farm or been used less like a farm.

I know a little of the dispute in regard to the access. I have travelled from Tournerbury Lane into the Woods hundreds, no sorry, thousands of times and all the story telling you are being spoon-fed again about health and safety and farmyard animals [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is complete and utter nonsense. I have never encountered any difficulties in using it, in all weathers and conditions and there are more than enough passing places to let opposing vehicles past and perfectly clear sightlines. I do see that in the last week Mr and Mrs Phillips have started (for the first time ever) to park their cars on the southern side of the tear drop junction just as you get into the farmyard. With ample parking spaces in front of their house, where their cars have always been for decades, this can only be seen for what it is, further bullying and deliberate nuisance making by the Phillips’s to cause difficulties to the Snells

and their lawful use of their property (their Right of Way). I'm sorry to say it is not out of character at all.

I hope the Phillips's don't submit their 'Evoke Transport Note' again that seemed to me to be so heavily relied on in decision making in the application last year, it was pure Alice in Wonderland conjecture with its constant reference to "The Manual for Streets". Did the Council apply "The Manual for Streets" to granting permission for the alternative access? No. Did the Council apply "The Manual for Streets" when granting permission for the massive redevelopment of Mill Rythe Holiday Camp, and its largely single lane access (unlit) of which a substantial part is a Public Right of Way used by hundreds of school children and access to stables on Tournurbury Farm, north of the Golf Course (again, I can't find any planning permission for this recent building)? No.

When you do decide this application, I hope you will fully realise that there is a singular agenda coming out of Tournurbury Farm and it has got nothing to do with 'bettering' the Borough, it does have everything to do with obtaining commercial advantage.

The sooner this application is decided positively, the sooner there is a greater chance that the Phillips's will no longer be able to intimidate the Snells and their guests (see comments on unnecessary parking above) and a sensible result will be more likely to be achieved for the good of all.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the falsehoods presented to you.

Sincerely

