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B&Q Application Rejected Well Done Sovereign Harbour



At a special meeting of the EBC Planning Committee, held in the Floral Room of the Winter Gardens, almost 400 Eastbourne residents, most of them from Sovereign Harbour, listened to a heated debate on the application by B&Q and Sovereign Harbour Ltd to build a warehouse and builders yard on the land adjoining Pevensey Bay Road, known as 'Commercial Site 1'.

Nigel Waterson our MP, Stephen Lloyd the LibDem spokesman, Clive Gross of the Green party, David Elkin the deputy leader of the council, David Tutt leader of the opposition and Martyn Relf chairman of Churches Together for Eastbourne all voiced their opposition to the application, as did members of the SHRA, 'No to B&Q' and many members of the public.

Support of the application by SEEDA, quoted as a firm prospect to acquire the remainder of Site 1, was conspicuous by its absence. This did not go unnoticed by the committee.

The four hour meeting, which ended at 8:30pm, culminated with the audience standing to applaud the unanimous decision of the committee to dismiss the application, great news!!

Unfortunately, this is unlikely to be the end of the road for this totally inappropriate application. B&Q and Sovereign Harbour Ltd,, through their agent, have indicated that they will lodge an appeal to continue their quest for greater profits at the expense of the harbour residents who have already contributed their hard-earned money by investing in the concept of a 'marina village'. We will fight on!

Time for a celebration - Why not?

Why not join us at Simply Italian on the Waterfront on 31st October for some fun at our Halloween party? There will be a children's party from 4:30pm until 6:30pm at a cost of just £4.95. For this, the kids will get a meal and drink. There will be games and prizes for the best costumes.

At 8:00pm, the restaurant is turned over to the grown-ups . . . well . . . adults . . . well . . . the rest of us. Tickets are priced at £10.50, which includes a buffet. However, members can get in for a silly price of just £7.50. Don't be disappointed, get your ticket, in advance, from S.I.

