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Walnut Hill Road DA13 9HL

Planning Application 20241054

Retrospective Erection of Front Porch- Walnut Hill Nursery

Please note my Objection to this Planning Application.

The main property at Walnut Hill Nursery has been subject to extensive operational development and change of use. This building has changed from mixed office/plant propagation/workshop areas to solely offices.

The Front Porch being applied for retrospectively is a large glass extension in front of the property line and has been built along with all the front windows to the building being made bigger. The front of the building has extensive lighting.

Planning Approval in 2001 for the main building stated that any further building on this site would be considered overdevelopment of a green belt property.

It should be also noted that all the shrubs and planting that used to be in front of the building providing a rural street scene have also removed to enable this porch(extension) to be built, and to create additional parking spaces. The new frontage including this large porch, in front of the property line, has completely changed the rural street scene of this property to a statement Head Office building not in keeping with its location.

This is an agricultural property that has been developed into a 24/7 Commercial Operating Centre for a number of companies. This Salami Slicing of Planning Applications should be recognised and the full development and change of use at this site needs to be considered.

Large areas of this site have also been turned into impermeable hardstanding for vehicle parking.

I Object to this overdevelopment as it is not justifiable.