Nick Cardnell

From: Geoffrey Barker [redacted]
Sent: 11 July 2026 12:41
To: NeighbourhoodPlanning <NeighbourhoodPlanning@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: Rope Walk car park

[You don't often get email from [redacted] Learn why this is important at [redacted]

We would like to submit our objection to the proposed Rope Walk car park in Bridport for the following reasons:

The car park is used by many people in and around the Bridport area for shopping particularly at Waitrose, and many other outlets such as nearby chemists, restaurants, pubs etc. We are 91 and 88 and it would prove extremely difficult for us to walk very far carrying heavy shopping without the use of a convenient car park within the town.

Trade would suffer considerably without the facility for car parking in the town. Bridport is fairly unique to have a thriving retail area bringing trade through shopping, restaurants, pubs etc . This would be lost without convenient car parking facilities.
Bridport attracts many tourists and people from outlying areas and villages where there are no shopping facilities. There are other car parks in South Street and East Street which are both some distance from the town centre and would be difficult particularly for elderly people. These are limited to full capacity and the removal of Rope Walk car parking facilities would be severely detrimental to the town.

There are several electric chargers in Rope Walk car park which have recently been installed at great expense and if these are unavailable it would be inconvenient for users and deter trade and consequently income for the town.

There has been considerable development in the Bridport area expanding the need for car parking in the town.

We would urgently request consideration to these points and reject any proposed development.
Christine Barker and Geoffrey Barker

[redacted]