

copy of OSS objection

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Section 257 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Proposed stopping up of part of a public footpath, St James's Place, Brighton

The Open Spaces Society objects to this order on the grounds for reasons which include:

1. it is not necessary to stop up the path in order to allow the development to take place. There is no reason why the path cannot pass through the gate. We consider this to be an abuse of the powers in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the stopping up of a public highway.
2. A gate can only be legally erected across a path if it has consent of the highway authority under section 147 of the Highways Act 1980 because the land is being brought into use for agriculture. Clearly that is not the case here.
3. In any case the path is needed for public use.

We trust you will abandon this order.

This was emailed on 22 September. Please confirm safe receipt.

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