

## **Statement from ADC – dated March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

Early concept drawings for development at Shoreham Beach Green have received a firm steer from local residents.

Wilbo's were awarded preferred developer status, allowing designs to be presented to the public at an early stage. This provided the developer an opportunity to take on board the views and ideas of local residents, prior to progressing his proposal.

After gathering feedback at recent consultations, the Council has been able to adopt a firm stance over which area of the Green is available for development. Whereas the idea of a cafe or restaurant with refurbished toilet facilities has been encouraged, further facilities outside the marketed boundaries such as a skate park and pitch and putt have been ruled out.

Cllr Angus Dunn, Deputy Leader of Adur District Council, commented:

"The developer's original concept explored ideas to utilise a much wider part of the Green than we originally marketed. The Council's initial stance was that this would only be considered with the expressed support of the community, which has not been the case.

"Therefore, only the marketed area will be available. There is no question of beach huts being moved or any form of development on the Local Nature Reserve.

"We would like to reassure residents that we have made it very clear to the developer that any scheme must be much closer to the original specification, adhering to the specified boundaries. It is also imperative that this new development is of the highest quality and matches the local community's aspirations for the future of Shoreham Beach Green.

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