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To: Halima.Chowdhury; Planning
Subject: DC/26/0106 Chewton, The Street, Slinfold

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Dear Halima,

This proposal is little different in substance to that refused in 2022 (DC/22/1413). The alteration of the garden to create off street parking in front of Chewton will have a harmful impact to its setting. Chewton is one of few historic dwellings that retain a front garden as might be expected in this historic village. This is important in preserving an appreciation of its special interest as a dwelling built well before the advent of motorised traffic. Although the alteration will have little visual impact on its own the problem will arise when vehicles are parked immediately in front of the cottage, concealing it from view and interfering with an opportunity to appreciate it in the streetscape. The proposal will also harm the character of the conservation area. The Slinfold Conservation Area Management Plan mentions the importance of avoiding the loss of front gardens to parking.

For this reason I am satisfied less than substantial harm will result. This will be in the middle of the scale with regard to the impact to the listed building and towards the lower end of the scale with regard to the impact to the character of the conservation area. Although some public benefit might be forthcoming with the freeing up of on street parking spaces this is not sufficient to outweigh the harm in my opinion.

Regards,
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