HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	14 South Street Horsham West Sussex RH12 1NR
DESCRIPTION:	Change of use of existing office from Class E (formerly B1(a)) to a single residential dwelling. Construction of first floor rear extension.
REFERENCE:	DC/23/1125
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / No Objection / **Objection** / More Information / Modification / Refusal

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

Economic Development objects to this proposal.

MAIN COMMENTS:

Economic Development would like to raise a concern about the potential loss of commercial use at the site. As set out in our Economic Strategy, commercial floorspace is essential to accommodate businesses seeking to start up and grow within the District. It is vital that we protect and enhance the vitality of our district, support the local economy and facilitate local employment opportunities.

The provision of commercial floorspace does contribute towards maintaining a vibrant town centre, therefore a move straight to residential without testing the demand first, is not considered to be within the interests of the local economy.

Therefore, Economic Development objects to this proposal

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

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DATE:	06.02.24