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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/1205
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 26/09/2026 6:42 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Sports Pavilion Church Lane Ashington West Sussex RH20 3JY
Proposal:	Change of Use of the site to create a small-scale wellness retreat, to provide sauna, cold water therapy and relaxation facilities. Erection of a timber-framed reception/office, changing rooms, a mobile sauna, outdoor showers, two cold plunge pools, timber decking, a timber pergola and associated landscaping.
Case Officer:	Sam Nye

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Customer Details

Address:	The Sett 4 Church Lane Ashington
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I spent over 30 minutes yesterday writing a comprehensive objection only to get timed out, so here is a shorter version. Property name is 'Area of grass, part of the recreation ground'. It

is not a development of the sports pavilion. It was not unused until the proposers enclosed it and built structures on it. The recreation ground and all of the buildings on it belong to the residents of Ashington, no notice was given or permission asked to develop the site. The ATTC do not have autonomy to grant a lease for areas of the recreation ground.

The drawings are on the whole inaccurate. The one entitled 23m x 6m retreat layout shows the overall width from the gym to be 6m with a 1.2m walkway. This is wrong. The fence step adjacent to the sauna actually measures 7.5 m from the gym. The proposers have cut away large sections of the hedge which forms part of the local landscape. There are no drawings showing a cross section illustrating the relationship between the fence and the hedge not the height of the structures and how they will project roughly 2m above the fence. There is no mention of the pergola that has been built.

The development would reduce vision lines for people exiting the car park, used by multiple vehicles. It will also reduce visibility for parents and children going to and from the nearby school.

The elevation toward the car park will be a large black ugly block, totally out of character with the surrounding architectural landscape.

This is not the place for this development.

Kind regards

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