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**Subject:** Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0227  
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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 22/04/2026 7:10 PM.

### Application Summary

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| Address:      | Horsham Park Horsham West Sussex |
| Proposal:     | Erection of a memorial statue.   |
| Case Officer: | Bethan Tinning                   |

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### Customer Details

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| Address: | 19 Victory Road Horsham |
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### Comments Details

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| Commenter Type:      | Member of the Public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Stance:              | Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Reasons for comment: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Design</li><li>- Other</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Comments:            | <p>I write to express my strong support for this application.</p> <p>It will give Horsham the cultural status it deserves and will place the town the prominence it deserves on the national map of cultural associations in the UK.</p> <p>There is clear and irrefutable evidence that monuments to other great figures in their home towns, such as Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Mary Anning Rocks, Jane Austen, Robert Burns and Sir Walter Scott have attracted tourists and boosted local</p> |

economies.

Percy Bysshe Shelley is the only Great Romantic Poet not to have a memorial statue in the town most closely associated with his birth.

The statue will inspire writing, poetry and creativity and, who knows, maybe that will include a future great poet.

Students at Collyers College who study English Literature A Level whose curriculum includes Shelley's work, will pass by the memorial every day.

The installation will create a focal point of local pride and identity with this globally renowned, iconic poet, whose poetry spoke so particularly to the young.

The installation will rightly celebrate poetry, which can be one of the most potent constructs in defence of liberty, freedom of thought and in defiance of tyranny.

The commission will be funded mainly independently and the commission was one by a great national sculptor.

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Kind regards

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