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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0106
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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 16/02/2026 12:30 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Chewton The Street Slinfold West Sussex RH13 0RR
Proposal:	Erection of a new front driveway, replacement fence and gate.
Case Officer:	Halima Chowdhury

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Customer Details

Address:	Ironwood House Clapgate Lane, Slinfold Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	Whilst I sympathise with the parking issues, I object to this application. It is nothing more than a revamped version of the proposal put forward in 2022 (DC/22/1413) and as far as I can see, apart from the drawing being rejigged, nothing has changed materially. At the time I commented on the application and the same can be said

today, namely:

There is a potential loss of character to this part of the Conservation Area. The existing frontage of Chewton (which is one of three listed properties in the conservation area that date back to the 1500's), is a garden which compliments the house and allows an open view of the fascia. A front garden attached to a dwelling of this age is an integral part of the look and feel of the building and its history, and it is part of an uninterrupted street scene which runs from Clapgate Lane through to Regency House on the corner. If this application is allowed, the vista will be corrupted by parked vehicles.

This application runs contrary to the objectives set out in the 'Slinfold Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan' produced by H.D.C. in September 2020. On page 40, under the section 'Drives, off street parking and loss of front gardens', much weight is placed on maintaining gardens at the front of houses and indeed the first line of this paragraph states: "Landscaped gardens to building frontages make an important contribution to the quality of the streetscape" and further on: "The loss of front gardens to parking detracts from their historic setting and should be avoided".

Chewton is one of few historic dwellings that retain a front garden as might be expected in Slinfold, and it is one that should be preserved. If vehicles were to be parked immediately in front of the cottage, it would be hugely detrimental to the integrity of the conservation area.

Given its very close proximity to the junction with Clapgate Lane, at the same time being sandwiched between two bends in the road, this section of The Street is already busy, and to allow this application would be to introduce potential danger to all road users, bearing in mind the lack of adequate sight-lines.

Kind regards

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