HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Horsecroft, Greyfriars Lane, Storrington
DESCRIPTION:	
REFERENCE:	DC/26/1734
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice ~~/ No Objection / Objection / More Information / Modification / Refusal~~
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION: The panels will impact the setting of the listed building and the character of the conservation area.	

MAIN COMMENTS:

Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 – Statutory duties in determining applications.

Section 16 (2) In considering whether to grant listed building consent for any works the local planning authority shall have special regard to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.

Section 66 (1) In considering whether to grant planning permission or permission in principle for development which affects a listed building or its setting, the local planning authority shall have special regard to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.

Section 72 (1) In the exercise (of planning functions), with respect to any buildings or other land in a conservation area, special attention shall be paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of that area.

Dear Jac,

The garage does not form part of the listed building so there will not be a direct impact. The position of the garage relative to the church and the church yard which is raised above the street level does mean the panels will be visible when looking south to The Downs. As these are a modern technology, they will be a little incongruous when looking out over the clay tile roofs. This traditional roofscape is a characteristic of the conservation area and does reinforce its historic interest. I am mindful of the importance of energy security and reducing reliance on fossil fuels. In this case I reluctantly accept that the harm to the setting of the listed buildings and the conservation area is outweighed by the public benefit.

I am satisfied the placement of the battery and inverter against the side of the house will not be harmful. This will be enclosed in a timber lean to and will not draw undue attention.

Regards,
Seán

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS: N/A

NAME:	Seán Rix
DEPARTMENT:	Conservation
DATE:	20.11.26