HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Fossbrooks 5 Parbrook, Billingshurst
DESCRIPTION:	
REFERENCE:	DC/25/0886
RECOMMENDATION:	~~Advice /~~ No Objection ~~/ Objection / More Information / Modification / Refusal~~
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION: The proposed alterations will not harm the special interest of the listed building.	
MAIN COMMENTS: Dear Steve, The current application proposes several alterations. These are described in the design, planning, access and heritage statement. The replacement of the timber casements and sashes in the Victorian rear extension, utility building and link lobby is acceptable. These windows appear to be replacements in any case with perhaps only the sliding sashes being of any real age. In any case, they are not historically significant in this case and the removal and replacement is not contentious. The removal of the twentieth century fireplaces is also acceptable. These are clearly later additions and do not reflect the age of the historic core of the house. The removal of the modern bathroom and partition will re-establish the proportions of the rear first floor room and is acceptable. So too the repositioning of the bathroom door. I have suggested a condition below to ensure the works to alter the fireplaces is managed and that the contractor can speak with me before work commences. Regards, Seán	

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

LB06 Site Meeting Before Works Commence

Pre-Commencement Condition: Before any work begins to alter the fireplaces and chimney breasts, the person(s) responsible for supervising the works must meet the conservation officer of the Local Planning Authority, on site or as otherwise agreed, to confirm that all the conditions attached to the listed building consent are understood and can be fully complied with.

Reason: As this matter is fundamental to ensure that the significance of the designated heritage asset, and the character, appearance and integrity of the building, is not prejudiced, thereby preserving the special architectural or historic interest which it possesses, and to comply with Policy 34 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

NAME:	Seán Rix
DEPARTMENT:	Conservation
DATE:	18.07.25