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Sent: 09 October 2026 12:28:11 UTC+01:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/1302
Categories: Comments Received

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 09/10/2026 12:28 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	59 Penlands Vale Steyning West Sussex BN44 3PL
Proposal:	Replacement of shed. (Retrospective).
Case Officer:	Steve Astles

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Customer Details

Address:	Pitshill House Tillington Petworth

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Overdevelopment
Comments:	I wish to object to the retrospective planning application for the garden shed at the above location. The shed has been constructed on a raised platform at the far end of the garden. Its considerable size, elevated position and unsympathetic appearance make it an unduly prominent and overbearing structure within the surrounding landscape. Due to the height of the platform on which it has been erected, the shed is visible from distances of over 500 metres and can be seen from several surrounding roads. This creates a significant visual

impact well beyond the boundaries of the property itself. Rather than being a modest garden outbuilding, it presents as a large and conspicuous structure that detracts from the character and appearance of the area.

I understand that the property may fall within the South Downs National Park. If confirmed, this is a particularly important consideration, given the need to protect the natural beauty, landscape character and visual amenity of this sensitive area. The elevated siting and prominence of the structure appear wholly at odds with these objectives.

The fact that the shed has already been constructed should not, in itself, justify the granting of retrospective planning permission. Its impact on the wider landscape should be assessed objectively, taking full account of its dimensions, height, elevated platform and visibility from the surrounding area.

I respectfully ask the Local Planning Authority to give careful consideration to these matters and to refuse the application if the development is found to cause unacceptable harm to the character and visual amenity of the surrounding landscape.

Kind regards

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