Horsham District Council

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Our ref:	DC/26/1387
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If Calling Please ask for:	Jacques Burrowes
Date:	21st October 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Application for Prior Approval under Schedule 2, Part 16, Class A

Prior Approval for installation of 1 no. equipment cabinet, 1 no. 13m telegraph pole, 1 no. antenna whip and 1 no. modem.

Land On The Corner of Haglands Lane and Nightingales West Chiltington West Sussex

Further to the above notification which was received on 28 August 2026, I am writing to confirm that **prior approval is required and refused** for the following reason(s):

1 The siting and appearance of the installation would appear unduly obtrusive in the street scene and as such would be detrimental to the character and appearance of the area. Further, the Council is not satisfied, on the basis of the information provided, that alternative siting options and a suitable site which would have less visual impact is not available. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies 32 and 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015) and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Schedule of plans/documents.

The following plans and document were considered when making the above decision:

Plan Type	Description	Drawing Number	Received Date
Location & Site plan	001 Site Location Plan	SW142-01	28.08.2026
Layout plan	002 Proposed Site Layout Plan	SW142-02	28.08.2026
Elevation plan	003 Site Elevation Plan	SW142-03	28.08.2026

Planning permission is therefore required for the proposed development.

Yours faithfully



Emma Parkes
Head of Development and Building Control

NOTIFICATION - Appeals to the Secretary of State

If you are aggrieved by the decision to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice. Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.

Appeals can be made online at: https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are at https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/casework-dealt-with-by-inquiries.