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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0258
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 16/03/2026 10:56 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Hassocks House Comptons Brow Lane Horsham West Sussex RH13 6BX
Proposal:	Conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation, extension and conversion of existing workshop into a garage with guest accommodation above, together with associated works to front garden.
Case Officer:	Marie Riggs

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Customer Details

Address:	2 The Glade Horsham West Sussex
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	We consider that the proposed alterations to the existing garage and workshop to create additional residential dwelling space will cause a significant loss of privacy to our property for the following reasons:- (1) This relates to the changes to the south elevation regarding the workshop which is located directly on the boundary of our

property.

The current windows on the first floor level of the workshop are, it appears, to be changed to two full length glass paneled windows and a full length glass door accessed by a wooden staircase leading to a timber balcony. This proposed balcony and glass doors would significantly overlook our garden and look directly into our full length landing window. We would lose all privacy to the area of our garden adjacent to the building and through our landing window.

Additionally, our property sits significantly lower than Hassocks House and the workshop due to the landscape which would make the balcony extremely imposing and overbearing.

The building's historic use as a workshop has meant that in the 13 years we have lived here we have never seen anyone at the first floor windows. When we first bought the property there was a tall conifer hedge reaching the height of the guttering of the workshop which has since been removed by the applicants leaving our property feeling much more exposed to the windows in the workshop.

With the proposal that the workshop will become a residential dwelling space the full length glass paneled windows and door will offer residents a commanding view of our property and it is quite possible that the proposed balcony could be utilized for recreational purposes as well as access. This change of use would have a significant impact on our privacy and enjoyment of our home and garden.

(2) This relates to the window and glass door on the side of the garage shown on the east elevation of the proposed plans being raised from their present height.

The current window toward the rear of the garage which would become the kitchenette window can currently be seen through our living room windows above the boundary fence between our property and the garage to a depth approaching that of the fanlight. Raising the height of the window would mean that we were further exposed. This window is currently of frosted glass. We are unaware as to the type of glass which is to be used for the proposed new kitchenette window but if it were clear glass, this new window would look directly over our patio and into our living room. There is a distance of approximately 8.5 meters from our patio doors to the fence and the proposed kitchenette window is only a short distance on the other side as is the proposed glass door.

Raising the height of the window and door would potentially cause a significant intrusion to our privacy and have an impact on our enjoyment of our living room and patio area. In addition, given the

proximity, if the windows and door were fitted with clear glass it would also expose our two upstairs rear bedrooms due to the elevated position of Hassocks House in relation to our property.

Therefore we oppose the application as the proposed plans would cause a significant lack of privacy due to our property being over looked and would severely impact our enjoyment of our home and garden.

Kind regards

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