



HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	2 Chene Colline Chase, 87 Lower Street, Pulborough
DESCRIPTION:	Installation of an Air Source Heat Pump
REFERENCE:	DC/26/0680
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / No Objection / Objection / More Information / Modification / Refusal
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:	
See below	
MAIN COMMENTS:	
The application property has been designed with its neighbours to sit within the conservation area, with its front elevation fronting onto Lower Street, and its rear elevation visible from the car park and wild brooks beyond. The proposed heat pump would be within the rear garden. It is a clearly modern structure which reflects its function. The NPPF identifies within para 167 that “<i>Local planning authorities should also give significant weight to the need to support energy efficiency and low carbon heating improvements to existing buildings, both domestic and non-domestic (including through installation of heat pumps and solar panels where these do not already benefit from permitted development rights). Where the proposals would affect conservation areas, listed buildings or other relevant designated heritage assets, local planning authorities should also apply the policies set out in chapter 16 of this Framework.</i>” Within a conservation area special attention must be paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of that area. The proposed heat pump would not be visually intrusive from the public realm, and would not compete with an appreciation of the conservation area as a historic settlement. It would be considered in terms of the impact on the significance of the conservation the proposal would result in minimal harm which should be balanced against the public benefit of low carbon heating.	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:	
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