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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0227
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 04/04/2026 5:37 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Horsham Park Horsham West Sussex
Proposal:	Erection of a memorial statue.
Case Officer:	Bethan Tinning

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Customer Details

Address:	31, Devonshire Road Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other
Comments:	This memorial to Percy Shelley in Horsham Park should be given planning permission and any other support required for the following reasons. Percy Shelley is known throughout the world, as in other places that celebrate their great people, the memorial will place Horsham on the cultural map of the world. The memorial will encourage tourism both from the UK and overseas. Tourists visiting Horsham will be good for local business.

The Shelley Memorial Project is a fantastic community project, which puts on many cultural and educational events and has spawned both art and poetry projects in the town and so has enriched people's lives.

Places that embrace art and culture thrive, if Horsham too, throws itself into supporting art and cultural projects like the Shelley memorial, the whole town and its people will benefit. Please read the reports below that support this.

<https://socialprescribingacademy.org.uk/nasps-evidence-reports/arts-culture-and-creativity/>

<https://www.local.gov.uk/parliament/briefings-and-responses/debate-contribution-arts-economy-and-society-house-lords-1#:~:text=Inclusive%20economic%20recovery,per%20cent%20gross%20value%20added.>

The memorial will look good with the backdrop of the park around it and its close to the station making it easy for visitors without cars to see and the design is simple yet conjures up the Romantic era.

The memorial will be seen by lots of people and especially young people who will see it daily travelling to and from school and college. The poems that will be displayed may be familiar to many but will further encourage people to explore deeper into Romantics and into poetry generally.

The memorial to Percy Shelley will help to alert a wider range of people to poetry. Poetry is especially important to us today. Please read this article below published by the United Nations on the importance of poetry.

<https://untoday.org/poetrys-increasing-importance-and-relevance-in-2025/>

Kind regards

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