

Horsham Denne Neighbourhood Council

CONSULTATION COMMENTS

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
SITE ADDRESS:	57 Premier Travel Inn North Street Horsham
PROPOSAL:	Part-demolition of hotel restaurant, erection of replacement hotel and guest restaurant extension and all associated works.
REFERENCE:	DC/26/0528
RECOMMENDATION:	Objection
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION: Objection – see main comments	
MAIN COMMENTS: Horsham Denne NC agrees that the site needs redevelopment as the old Station Hotel building is in very shabby condition and gives a poor impression at an important entry point to the town. We support the reduced footprint of the proposed new building and the introduction of a proper landscaped area. However, we have the following concerns and queries: 1) Design: The proposed building is just an oblong block, with no intrinsic design value, and it is not in keeping with the character of the adjacent buildings. The block is more suited to a new town and does not represent our historic town centre. The proposed building is too high and will dominate views of the retained 19th century building and the railway station. The side of the building opposite the railway station has no interesting architectural features but will be the first view people visiting Horsham by train have of the town. We consider the application contravenes HDPF Policy 33 (points 2,3,4) and Policy 34 (points 3,4,5). A revised design more compatible with the retained building and the character of Horsham town is essential. 2) Parking: HDNC supports the response of WSCC Highways and would like to know what arrangements are proposed for off-site parking. 3) Location of Air Conditioning units: HDNC is concerned that the proposed location of Air Conditioning units could affect neighbouring residences in Hurst Road. Therefore, HDNC objects to this application unless suitable changes are made to the design and we receive satisfactory answers to our comments and queries.	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS: See main comments.	
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DATE:	18.5.26