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Sent: 26 November 2024 21:44
To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/24/1642

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 26/11/2024 9:44 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	64 Blackbridge Lane Horsham West Sussex RH12 1RX
Proposal:	Erection of a two storey front extension.
Case Officer:	Meg Bayliss

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Customer Details

Address:	66 Blackbridge Lane Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	As the neighbouring property with whom number 64 has a shared driveway, my husband and I object to this development for 3 of the reasons listed: 1) The design will negatively impact the street uniformity and create a visual barrier between us and other neighbours. Blackbridge Lane is surrounded by several schools and not only is visibility important for safety reasons, but the desirability of the area is underpinned by the community and character of the properties, which the errection of this two-storey extension will in our view, undermine. It is also likely to affect the value of other properties in the area, which can negatively impact those with mortgages or looking to sell. 2) [redacted] children attend Arunside School and I know we are not the only people who have deep-level concerns surrounding safety during school drop off and pick up hours. We regularly face being blocked in by poor roadside parking, and should the new residents own

two cars- as many families do these days- this will add to the already problematic issue of congestion if there is not designated parking spaces in front of the property. In addition to this, the drawing shows cars parked on the shared driveway. Whilst out of goodwill we have previously agreed to occasional parking on this shared driveway, it was subject to frequent discussion and only actioned on the odd occasion. Our understanding of shared drive rights is that it should be kept clear for access purposes. This is necessary for us since we both work full-time and have a busy family life. We also use the rear entrance frequently, so clear access is essential for our basic, every day functionality.

3) Our front room is unfortunately already very dark. It only catches some light in the morning, even then the light is limited. Our layout is different to 64 and 62 and we heavily rely on light entering through the side window. If this development is approved, number 64 will align with the front wall of our house and without the recess to let the light in, it is certain that our natural light in the front room will be further reduced. I use this room to work from home and I struggle with seasonal low mood due to there being less light in the winter months. It is therefore deeply concerning for us that we may lose even more of that vital natural light and we consider it to be unreasonable that we would then need to artificially light the room during the day.

With all factors considered, we firmly believe this development will significantly negatively impact on our lives; from a safety perspective, financially, logistically, physiologically and emotionally. We therefore strongly object to this proposal.

Kind regards