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To: "Peter Davies" <peter.davies@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/26/2165

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 21/09/2026 8:28 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	58 Bonnet Lane Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0FQ
Proposal:	Proposed loft conversion
Case Officer:	Peter Davies

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Customer Details

Address:	56 Bonnet Lane Burgess hill
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to express my support for the retention of the dormer extension in its current position at No. 58 bonnet lane. In my view, the current location is more appropriate than relocating the dormer to the opposite side of the property, and I believe retaining it where it is would have a significantly lesser impact on neighbouring properties and the surrounding area. There are several reasons for my support: 1. Character and appearance

The existing dormer is appropriately positioned and, in my opinion, is in keeping with the design and character of the existing dwelling and the surrounding properties. There are also several neighbouring properties in the area that have had dormer extensions constructed in recent years, demonstrating that this type of development is already an established feature within the immediate surroundings.

The scale, design and appearance of the existing dormer do not appear out of character with the surrounding residential properties.

2. Materials and construction

The materials used for the existing dormer are consistent with the appearance of the existing property and the surrounding buildings. Retaining the current structure would therefore maintain a cohesive appearance rather than requiring an entirely new construction on the opposite side of the dwelling.

3. Impact on neighbouring properties and privacy

The current position of the dormer is relatively unobtrusive from my property and, importantly, does not create a significant direct overlooking issue.

If the dormer were relocated to the opposite side of the property, its position would result in a much more direct outlook towards my existing bedroom window and rear garden. It would also potentially increase overlooking towards other neighbouring properties.

From my perspective as a neighbouring resident, the current arrangement therefore represents a considerably less intrusive solution.

4. Visual impact

The existing dormer sits naturally within the roofline and does not, in my opinion, have an unreasonable visual impact on neighbouring properties. Relocating it to the opposite side could result in a more prominent feature and potentially alter the visual relationship between No. 58 and the neighbouring properties.

5. Avoidable disruption

Reconstructing and relocating an already completed dormer would also result in considerable and avoidable disruption to the property and its neighbours.

This could include additional construction traffic, temporary

obstruction of driveways and parking areas, noise, dust, building waste and general disruption associated with dismantling and reconstructing the existing structure. While I appreciate that temporary construction impacts are not normally the primary consideration in determining a planning application, I believe the unnecessary nature and scale of this disruption is relevant when considering whether relocating an existing, appropriately positioned structure would provide any meaningful benefit.

6. Existing development within the area

The presence of similar dormer extensions on neighbouring properties is also relevant when considering the character of the area. The existing dormer at No. 58 does not appear to represent an isolated or incongruous form of development, but rather one that is consistent with changes that have already taken place within the surrounding residential area.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask that the Council consider allowing the dormer extension to remain in its current position.

In my view, the existing location is sympathetic to the property and surrounding area, has a relatively limited impact on neighbouring properties, and avoids creating a greater overlooking and privacy impact for myself and potentially other residents.

I therefore support the retention of the dormer in its current location.

Kind regards