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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 13/10/2025 3:40 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	125 Orchard Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 9PJ
Proposal:	Proposed rear dormer extension and addition of two roof windows to facilitate a loft conversion to habitable space.
Case Officer:	Tracie Axford

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Customer Details

Address:	123 Orchard Road Burgess Hill
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Further to the proposal to a rear dormer extension and additional two roof windows at 125 Orchard Road, we would like to put forward our strong objection to the proposal as outlined below. Firstly, with such proposal, we would lose our privacy in the rear garden, an area that we use constantly throughout the year. Its hard enough maintaining a level of privacy in our location due to the natural curvature of the housing layout, with this proposal we would certainly loose it completely. We also add that no other property on this side of the close nor the street backing onto the rear of the property has had a rear extension of this nature and

would consider such an extension out of keeping and an eyesore. It would also add to the already towering ground extension whereby sunlight blocks natural light into our property, with this dormer proposal, this would also have the same effect into our garden.

We are also concerned for the integrity of our roof structure, knowing that there would be a likeliness for the roofs ridge to be heightened/ altered during the proposed change, what guarantees are in place to ensure that any damage, is rectified according to the building regulatory standards and would we be given a certification to that effect once or if the works are carried out. How are we assured that our roof would remain in its current state. How will the work be carried out, nor have we have been consulted as to whether access is required across our property, which we would oppose.

Will there be a need to alter, add to the existing waste units/ pipe as this is already under increasing pressure due to collapsing pipes (parts of which we have been informed by the water company when it recently blocked), was caused by the rear extension to this property that spans the pipe, will there be any consideration in place will be put in place a correction to avoid further inconvenience to us, as we have the pleasure of the drain access to rode this when keeps getting blocked which is not pleasant.

Internally, we currently must on both sides be considerate in terms of noise, the existing walls are not very thick/ built well, and we currently experience high noise levels early in the morning, this is already challenging for those of us the work shift and are disturbed by the noise but tolerate it. With an additional flight of stairs going in, this is only going to add to more noise.

We also have to a child who suffers heavily with anxiety, we are extremely concerned for his mental health and such changes are difficult for him to adapt.

With a dormer being suggested, this will also most certainly have an impact on the value of our property, this will put us in a disadvantage compared to others in the close that have not faced a similar dilemma, if we wanted to sell up. Has a side extension been considered, something already done by many in the surrounding area, this is also a less intrusive option.

Kind regards