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**Subject:** Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Consultee Comments for Planning Application  
DM/24/2612

## Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 06/01/2025 12:30 PM from . HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL on behalf of Parish Consultation.

### Application Summary

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| Reference:    | DM/24/2612                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Address:      | 16A The Quadrant Hassocks West Sussex BN6 8BP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Proposal:     | Retrospective change of use of existing double garage to a one bedroom detached dwelling, which has had the addition of new windows, doors and rendering and the addition of a new porch as well as new pergola and decking. Updated plans received 03.12.2024 and 28.11.2024 showing vehicular access and parking area correctly, plus storage shed. |
| Case Officer: | Deborah Lynn                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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### Comments Details

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| Comments: | RECOMMEND APPROVAL. The applicant is advised that Government has committed to adopt a 'Future Buildings Standard' during 2021 which will change the Building Regulations requirements for alterations and extensions to homes to bring these alterations closer to that of a 'zero energy building'. This is supported by Policy 5 'Enabling Zero Carbon' of the Hassocks Neighbourhood Plan which states that proposals that modify existing buildings (including extensions) should seek to maximise the inclusion of energy-saving measures and renewable energy generation. Energy saving measures include floor, roof and wall insulation, and low u-value windows (which may need to be triple glazed). These requirements may require amendments to your design which could affect the drawings submitted for planning |
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permission. The applicant may wish to note that alterations that are built to a Nearly Zero Energy standard, are unlikely to need further retrofitting to minimise the carbon emissions that the nation is required to reduce to zero by 2050. As retrofitting an existing home to be highly energy efficient is more complex than doing so for a new building, applicants may wish to look at the 'EnerPHit' standard that the Government is understood to be considering as the applicable "Nearly Zero Energy" standard in this context, or at the Archetypes published by the London Energy Transformation Initiative for u-values for your extension walls, windows etc. and for ventilation and overheating prevention standards to be achieved.

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Kind regards