

Andrew Horrell

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 September 2026 17:54
To: Andrew Horrell
Cc: planninginfo; [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: OBJECTION to Planning Application DM/26/2000 – 75 Mill Road, Burgess Hill, RH15 8DY

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Hi Mr Horrell,

Please find the attached amended letter, submitted on behalf of the residents of 41 and 43 Grove Road following their formal approval. Resident of 43 agrove road is copied in and agreed. We kindly request that you minimise the inclusion of personal information to maintain data privacy.

Regards
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Re: Planning Application DM/26/2000 – 75 Mill Road

We are writing jointly as the residents of 41 and 43 Grove Road to raise our concerns about the above planning application.

Having looked at the information available, we are particularly concerned that the plans do not appear to clearly show how far the proposed rear extension and additional outbuilding/shed would extend towards the neighbouring properties. We would therefore ask the Council to carefully consider the full impact of the development on the surrounding homes and gardens.

Our main concerns are as follows:

1. Scale and overdevelopment

The proposal to convert the property into six one-bedroom flats, together with a two-storey side extension and a full-width two-storey rear extension, appears excessive for the size of the plot. The scale and depth of the rear extension could create a large and overbearing structure close to the neighbouring boundaries.

This would have an impact on the outlook from neighbouring properties and gardens and could also reduce natural light to rear-facing rooms.

2. Privacy and overlooking

The proposed upper-floor windows in the rear extension are a particular concern. Depending on their final position and height, these windows could directly overlook neighbouring gardens and rear-facing rooms, resulting in a significant loss of privacy.

We ask that the Council carefully considers the relationship between these windows and the neighbouring properties and, if the development is approved, requires appropriate measures such as obscure glazing and suitable screening.

3. Loss of light and overshadowing

The size and proximity of the proposed rear extension may also result in additional overshadowing of neighbouring gardens and properties, particularly given its proposed two-storey height.

We would ask the Council to assess the effect of the extension on daylight and sunlight to the neighbouring properties before determining the application.

4. Parking and traffic

Only three parking spaces are proposed for six flats. We are concerned that this is unlikely to be sufficient and could lead to additional parking on Mill Road and Grove Road.

There are already difficulties with parking, congestion and manoeuvring in the area, particularly around the nearby junction. Additional vehicles associated with six separate flats could make these problems worse and could also affect access for existing residents and other road users.

5. Noise and disturbance

The conversion from a single property to six separate flats would inevitably increase the number of residents and the level of activity at the site. We are concerned about the resulting increase in noise, general disturbance, external lighting and use of the garden and communal areas.

The proposal also appears out of keeping with the predominantly residential character and density of the surrounding properties.

6. Construction impact

There are also significant concerns about the construction phase. The demolition and building works are likely to involve excavation, deliveries, skips, contractor vehicles, construction noise and dust.

Given the close proximity of the neighbouring properties, these works could have a considerable impact on residents. If planning permission is granted, we would ask the Council to impose appropriate conditions covering working hours, noise, dust suppression, deliveries, contractor parking, construction traffic and protection of neighbouring boundaries and existing vegetation.

Overall, we are concerned that the combination of six flats, the proposed two-storey extensions and additional buildings represents an excessive development of this plot and would have a significant impact on neighbouring properties.

If the Council is minded to approve the application, we would ask that consideration is given to reducing the scale and depth of the rear extension, reducing the overall density of the development and ensuring adequate privacy and screening for neighbouring properties.

We would be grateful if this representation could be taken into account when determining the application. We would also appreciate being kept informed of any significant updates, amendments to the plans or committee dates relating to this application.

Yours sincerely,

Residents of 41 and 43 Grove Road

On Tue, 29 Sept 2026, 10:00 Andrew Horrell, <andrew.horrell@midsussex.gov.uk> wrote:



Many thanks for your email.

To be considered and to go on the planning portal, whilst your name will be redacted, the address for any comment comes from will be on the portal.

Please confirm you wish for your comment to be added to the portal with the address being stated.

Kind regards,

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