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To: "Peter Davies" <peter.davies@midsussex.gov.uk>
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 03/10/2026 6:01 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	58 Bonnet Lane Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0FQ
Proposal:	Retrospective loft conversion with dormer. Proposed front and rear gable end windows. (Amended description 19.09.2026)
Case Officer:	Peter Davies

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Customer Details

Address:	60 Bonnet Lane Burgess Hill
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Comments Details

Comment er Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comment s:	We are neighbouring residents at 60 Bonnet Lane and would like to express our support for the retrospective planning application for the loft conversion and dormer at No. 58. Having seen the dormer from our property and garden, we consider it to be in keeping with the character and appearance of the surrounding houses. There are already three very similar flat-roof dormers visible from our garden, and the

existing dormer at No. 58 fits comfortably within this established pattern of development. The materials used for the dormer are also in line with the existing property and nearby houses. In particular, the reuse of the existing roof tiles helps the dormer blend in with the original house, creating a cohesive appearance.

We consider the dormer's current position to be relatively unobtrusive and visually appropriate. There is a window which overlooks our garden, but there are windows in the original property which similarly overlook it (we have a window in our unmodified property which overlooks the garden of No. 58). It sits naturally within the roofline of the semi-detached property and has a limited impact on the street scene. By contrast, constructing a dormer on the opposite side of the house, as would be possible under permitted development rights, would, in our opinion, be a considerably less attractive outcome. A dormer in that position would be more prominent from the street and would have a greater visual impact on the surrounding area.

We also believe that requiring the existing dormer to be removed and rebuilt on the opposite side of the property would cause considerable and avoidable disruption to both the occupants of No. 58 and neighbouring residents, including ourselves. We have already experienced some expected disruption due to the building works, including allowing our neighbours to put some scaffolding on our driveway. Further disruption would be particularly frustrating given that we have been accommodating throughout the works and have no objection to the dormer as it currently stands. Requiring its removal and reconstruction would mean further noise, dust, construction traffic and disruption to our day-to-day lives, as well as potentially requiring further access to our property. In our view, this would impose an unnecessary additional burden on neighbouring residents without delivering any meaningful improvement to the appearance of the property or the surrounding area.

Given that the dormer is visually consistent with nearby properties, uses materials that complement the existing house, and sits unobtrusively within the established roofline, we do not consider that relocating it would provide any meaningful improvement to the appearance of the property or the wider street scene. Indeed, we believe it could result in a less satisfactory outcome.

For these reasons, we have no objections to the application and support the retention of the dormer in its current position. We respectfully ask that the Council take our views as neighbouring residents into consideration when determining the application.

Where did you hear about this applicatio n?	Not specified
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Kind regards