Comment on a planning application

Every member of the community has the right to comment on a planning application. We take your comments into consideration when recommending if an application should be approved or denied.

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Additional time has been provided for submission of comments for any applications affected by the recent work to the East Hampshire planning application website. The extended date is shown on the relevant applications.

Your comments whether submitted online (via Public Access) or by post will become public documents that are published on the council website, they cannot be treated as confidential (in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000).

You must comment on a planning application within 21 days of it being registered, the deadline for each application is specified online.

How do I make a comment?

You can comment online via Public Access or by post:

East Hampshire planning applications

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Comment by post: Planning Services, EHDC, PO Box 310, Petersfield, GU32 9HN.

Make sure you include your name, address and details of the planning application your comments relate to. Anonymous comments will not be considered.

You will be able to check that your comments have been received by looking online.

How are my comments processed?

Any comments you make will be made available online through the council website. You should therefore only include information that you are happy for the public to see. Representations containing discriminatory or defamatory comments will not be published.

Your name and address will not be published in accordance with General Data Protection Regulations. Please see the council's <u>privacy policy</u> for more information. We aim to publish comments on our website within 5 working days of receipt.

What can I comment on?

A planning officer can consider your concerns relating to:

- The effect on a neighbour's daylight, sunlight or privacy
- The impact on traffic, road access, parking and servicing
- The appearance, bulk or height of the proposed development
- Impacts such as noise generated by the proposed development
- The potential loss of a valued local service or use, such as a shop or a residential flat.

The council cannot consider non-planning issues such as:

- The effect on property values
- · Competition between rival businesses
- Party wall disputes and fire escape matters
- Moral and religious issues.

We cannot refuse permission for a scheme because of construction noise but we can restrict the hours of work to reduce disturbance to residents and other neighbours.

If you choose to comment on an application, please be aware that placing or publishing discriminatory comments is unlawful under the Equality Act 2010.

The Act protects individuals from discrimination based on sex, race, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, marriage and civil partnership, religion and belief, sexual orientation and age. Any such comments will be removed from our website and the individuals will be reported to the Police.