

**ADC Planning Consultation
Response from the Historic Buildings Adviser**

Application Number	FP/41/12/L
Address	Church House, 94 Felpham Road, Felpham
Description	COU from B1 to C3 and three new dormer windows to replace existing.
Case Officer	Susan Leeson
Site Visit	

Objection

There is no objection to the principle of the change to residential use. The main issue here is the proposed dormer windows which are too large. They appear identical in size to the sashes below and as such introduce a scale and massing which is not appropriately subservient to the windows in the main elevation. This will make the fenestration appear top heavy which is likely to be even more pronounced when viewed 3-dimensionally. Unfortunately this will affect the character and appreciation of the listed building in a manner which is not acceptable.

A more minor concern is the loss of the corner chimney breast in the rear ground floor. This can probably be justified if it is felt that this is the best use for the building and the most sustainable. Given that the building was formerly a house, I would have thought this reasonable. That said, we will require structural qualification for its removal as the breast above is being retained and will require support.

Please confirm retention of the existing external doors and glazing.

Ian Wightman
Historic Buildings Adviser

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