

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 28/10/2025 4:40 PM from Mrs Susan O'Brian.

Application Summary

Address:	16 Nutbourne Road Worthing West Sussex BN14 7HS
Proposal:	Change of use of domestic garage to dog grooming business (Sui Generis) with alterations to fenestration.
Case Officer:	Rebekah Hincke

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Customer Details

Name:	Mrs Susan O'Brian
Email:	
Address:	14 Nutbourne Road Worthing West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	Planning reference: AWDM/1155/25 I am writing to formally object to the above planning application for the establishment of a dog grooming business. While I recognise the value of such services, I believe this proposal is unsuitable for this property in a residential street. Noise Concerns My primary concern relates to the potential noise generated by the proposed business and the fact that it will be so close to my house and garden. Dogs can often become agitated during grooming or when near other dogs, leading to increased barking. Additional noise may arise from customer interactions and the operation of grooming equipment. Although it is acknowledged that a certain level of sound insulation is planned, there are several points which I wish to highlight: - The garage designated for the business is situated less than a metre from my property boundary and extends almost the entire length up to my summer house. The fence line adjacent to this garage borders my patio and a wildlife area, both of which are currently very peaceful and regularly enjoyed. - I am concerned that, despite the proposed sound insulation, there will be a persistent level of noise that will negatively affect my enjoyment of my garden. I would also like to raise the following specific questions: - Will the existing windows be glazed to the same standard as the new façade? If not, they may provide less effective sound insulation. - Is the plastic portion of the new façade going to be sound insulated? - What measures will be in place to mitigate noise when the weather is warmer - I feel at the very least air conditioning should be a pre-requisite so that the unit can

be sealed.

Even at present, dogs barking in gardens can be heard from inside my house. An increase in the number of dogs coming and going throughout the day is likely to result in greater noise intrusion.

Hours of Business

It has been indicated that the proposed business would be 'akin' to homeworking. The meaning of this is unclear, however, I think many people would not interpret homeworking to include a business where clients and their dogs are regularly coming and going, and machinery is in operation for up to 9 hours a day, six days a week, in very close proximity to neighbouring properties.

Conclusion

Request for Consideration and Site Visit

For the reasons detailed above, I respectfully urge the council to give careful consideration to these objections during their decision-making process. The potential impacts on the enjoyment of my property and the surrounding environment are significant, and I believe they warrant close scrutiny.

I would also welcome the opportunity for a council representative to visit my home in person. This would allow you to see first-hand the issues I have raised and better understand the concerns I have outlined regarding noise and the proximity of the proposed business to my property.

Thank you for taking the time to review my objection. I look forward to a fair and thorough consideration of this matter by the council.
