

I have lived in Langstone High Street [REDACTED]

I am therefore [REDACTED] impacted by this planning application to demolish Langstone Lodge and replace it with a new building designed to match the original.

Langstone Lodge has been an important and central part of Langstone's heritage since its construction in the late 19th century. It is set in a historic setting within the Conservation Area, and externally still offers a well preserved and attractive appearance.

I have read the details of the planning application, and there appears to be no demonstrated justification for the demolition and rebuild of the property rather than the undertaking of the necessary repairs. I therefore believe that the preservation of the current external structure would ensure the continued existence of an important heritage asset.

The proposed replacement would not only have the appearance of a historical building, but will also differ in design and height from the original property. The proposed external terrace is a significant difference and will change the external appearance of the building.

I also have serious concerns about the very real risk of long delays before the property owner undertakes the construction of the replacement building, and this would lead to the long-term loss of an important part of Langstone's heritage. [REDACTED]

For the above reasons, I strongly oppose this planning application.