

We originally wanted to retain the existing external west wall of the host building as facing brickwork within the new kitchen however after we removed existing plaster to part of the wall we identified that the bricks had been damaged due to being covered over for many years by the plaster. The pictures show the damage. Preservation of the brickwork would therefore not be in keeping with the original for nearly half of the wall due to the damage.

Our proposal instead is to cover the whole of the wall with a lime- based plaster that retains the permeability of the bricks and to paint in heritage colour.

As this is an interior wall we do not consider that the special architectural and historic interest and integrity of the building would be materially prejudiced by our proposal. A plastered wall is consistent with other interior walls of the building. All other original brickwork will remain unaltered, and new brickwork on the exterior of the extension is in keeping with the existing brickwork. In particular the brickwork detail above the bricked-over window recess of the west wall, will still be visible externally and also when looking up through the glass panelled lantern in the ceiling when viewing the wall from the interior of the room.