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HERITAGE STATEMENT – 20 HIGH STREET PIRTON – ERECTION OF GREENHOUSE AND GARDEN STORE

Introduction

The property is a 16th/17th century grade 2 listed building sitting within the Pirton Conservation Area. This proposal does not affect the listed building as neither development is attached to the building, the greenhouse being free standing and the garden store being erected backing onto to a 6ft fence in the SE corner of the garden away from the house.

Greenhouse

This replaces a summer house previously on the site and demolished due to becoming unsafe due to rot. It will be visible from the High Street but will be more attractive visually than the rear wall of the previous timber summer house. The owners of the property are keen gardeners and frequently open the garden during Pirton Open Gardens. In fact the garden was short listed for the Daily Mail Garden of the Year competition some years ago. The greenhouse will allow them to develop both their gardening skills and the garden further. There is a hedge between the property and the High Street

which will screen most of the greenhouse, leaving mostly just the attractive roof showing.
There is no other suitable site within the garden on which to erect a greenhouse.

Garden store

Currently garden tools are stored in the potting shed section of the existing lean-to shed and log store attached to the eastern end of the barn. The garden tools will be stored in it thus returning the potting shed to its originally intended function.
The store will be erected backing onto the existing 6ft fence in the SE corner of the garden where it will be hidden by the hedging behind the mosaic garden seat and the mature Acer and weeping Silver Lime trees. Having a maximum height of 4.75ft the garden store will not be visible from the other side of the fence.

Access

These proposals have no effect on existing access.

Trees

Only one tree is affected by this application and that is the Blenheim Orange apple tree that has been sentenced as dead by the village tree warden. This is the subject of a separate application to fell it. Indeed if not felled it is possible that the tree could fall and cause considerable damage to the listed building.

Conclusion

The proposals represent another stage in the development of the garden that has been evolving for over 400 years and will allow continued development of its attractiveness. The proposals do not affect the listed building directly and will have minimal impact on the conservation area. Indeed the hexagonal greenhouse will add to the attractiveness of the view from the High Street.