

21st October 2024

7 High Street
Barley
Near Royston
Hertfordshire SG8 8HZ

Dear Sir/Madam,

Heritage statement in connection with planning application to replace bathroom and kitchen windows on ground floor at rear of 7 High Street, Barley

This building is listed under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended for its special architectural or historic interest. It is jointly listed with the adjoining property, No. 9 High Street.

Set out below is the entry for the property on the Historic England website:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1175257>)

Listing Details

BARLEY HIGH STREET TL 3938 (West side) Barley

7/94 Nos. 7, and 9

GV II

House, now 2 dwellings. Late C17 or early C18, altered C19 and C20. Timber frame on brick base. Roughcast. Steeply pitched slate roof. 3 cells, originally probably lobby entry. 1 storey and attic. 2 front entrances are blocked both retaining fanlights and bracketed hoods, that to left has stained glass, that to right has its hood extending over a small pane flush frame horizontal sliding sash to right with C19 or later timber and brick nogging exposed below. A 2nd horizontal sliding sash to centre and a C20 casement to left. 3 C20 2 light dormers with raking heads. Axial ridge stack behind left entrance, rebuilt capping. Half hip to left end with 2 light flush frame casements and a pentice board for earlier thatch, exposed plates. C20 lean-to additions to rear with entrances. Interior: some exposed framing with tension braces. Included for group value.

Listing NGR: TL3993038585

Proposed works

Due to rot within the frames, poor heat retention and security qualities, it is proposed to replace the bathroom and kitchen 'Storm' single glazed windows on the ground floor to the rear of the property.

The proposals seek to replicate this existing window designs and the glazing bars, including width and profiles, within double glazed units in wood (finished with white paint) in order to improve: energy efficiency, security and reduce noise.

Details of the proposed designs and the glazing bars, including width and profiles have been provided by the contractor and submitted to the planning Authority by the applicant. The specification replicates that approved under 18/01624/LBC.

No issues arise in relation to the impact of the proposal on the living conditions of neighbouring occupiers in terms of light, the sense of enclosure, noise or privacy as the proposal is not for additional bulk or increased fenestration which allows for overlooking.

It is respectfully asserted that the materials and design of the proposed windows and rear entrance door would not harm the overall character and appearance of the property and would have no impact on the conservation area.

Photos of the existing windows to be replaced have been submitted via the planning portal.

Yours faithfully,

Gary Robjent