

Heritage Statement

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12 Cashio Lane, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 1AX

This statement has been prepared in support of the Listed Building Application for the installation of a electric vehicle car charging point to the above property.

Details of the official Listing as found on the Historic England web site are as given below

CASHIO LANE 1. 5255 No 12 (Treetops) TL 2234 5/31 II 2. 1910 by B Parker and R Unwin. An important work, and predominantly the design of Barry Parker. Open plan with central cruciform living room with prominent inglenook fireplace balanced by dining recess. In the projecting wings are the kitchen and outhouses contained beneath a downward sweep of the roof and balanced by the den and staircase. Garage extension of 1935 by Barry Parker. Two storeys, 3 bay front with recessed porch between 2 slightly projecting wings. Hipped tiled roof with plain rectangular brick stacks. Roughcast brick walls. Leaded casement windows with mullions and reinforced concrete window frames with brick relieving arches. Porch with exposed studding. Interior with stained doors and timber work, and whitewashed brick.

Listing NGR: TL2241434007

As new owner / occupiers of the property (21 08 25) we are conscious of the importance of the external appearance both with regard to the Listing and the buildings contribution to the character of the wider Conservation Area.

We have for a number of years owned an electric vehicle and wish to be able to continue to charge this conveniently and economically from the drive of the property

The electric meter is located towards the front of the southern flank elevation with the car charging point location proposed to a return wall adjacent to the garage at the northern end of the property. To allow the charger to function a connecting cable approximately 10mm diameter is required between the two points.

In considering the routing of the cable care has been taken that the two longest runs, along the bay frontages are positioned at a low level where they will ultimately be concealed by planting in beds that run the full length of each bay. Where the cable crosses the main entrance it is proposed to run discreetly through an existing planter, the cable is then concealed behind an existing soil pipe, within a recess adjacent to porch timberwork or tucked beneath an existing tile overhang so as not to be visible.

We consider that the above proposals would allow the addition of the charging point to the property without detracting from its appearance and integrity. It is also likely that longer term some later, non-original but existing additions to the front of the property may be removed such as surface mounted gas pipework, gas bottle housing and an additional vertical soil waste pipe/ hopper head. These however will be subject to a later application.