

Physical features of the property

No. 4 Bury End is a semi-detached cottage which is attached to No. 6. Both cottages are Grade 2 listed and of timber frame construction. The cottages were damaged by a doodlebug in World War 2 which resulted in the loss of their thatched roof and changes to the internal layout.

The Grade 2 listing description (which applies to both No. 4 and No. 6) reads as follows:

“House, now 2 houses. C18 or earlier, C19 extensions each end. Timber frame on stuccoed sill, roughcast. Painted red brick extensions. Steep red tile roofs. A 2-storeys, 2-cells, internal-chimney, lobby entry plan house facing E, with single-storey extension to N end and lean-to at S end. Irregular E front with 3 windows to 1st floor, and 2 to ground floor and 2 doors, the second door at N end of front next exposed corner post. Flush, 2-lights, small-panes, casement windows. Plank door in middle up 2 steps.”

Design Statement

The proposal is to replace both the rear kitchen window and the rear bedroom window. This is a sensitive project due to the Grade 2 listing and the proximity to a Conservation Area including a Scheduled Ancient Monument.

As current occupants, we would like to replace the old 1970s double glazed aluminium windows, yet are mindful that there should be no visual change to the charming character of our property. The current windows are draughty and the wooden frames are rotten in parts. Some of the openings are broken and therefore unuseable. The current windows are not energy efficient and also do not comply with fire regulations.

We hope to replace the current windows with ‘Halo Flush 70’ (see application) windows which are a perfect alternative to timber. These windows will have a traditional flush casement design, will be ‘A’ Energy rated and will match the rear bedroom window of No. 6 Bury End, which is soon to be installed. It is important to note that the proposed works will not be visible from the road.

