

DESIGN & HERITAGE STATEMENT

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Proposed Development: Proposed PV panels to be installed on South-West roof slope of existing single storey Grade II Listed dwelling.

Site Address: 4 Home Farm Court
Puckeridge Park
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This document is the Supporting Design and Heritage Statement for the proposed Installation of new Photovoltaic Panels on the South-West roof slope of the existing single storey Grade II Listed dwelling as shown on the accompanying plans and Fig. 1 below.

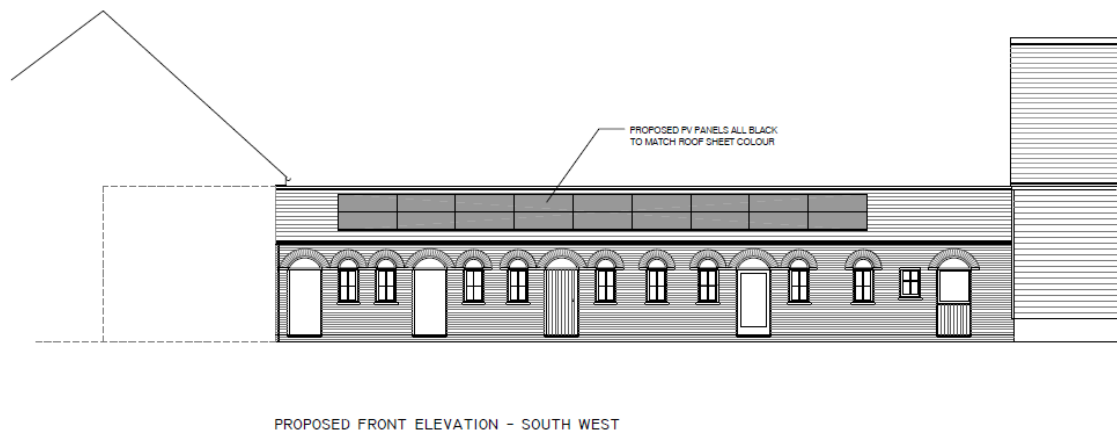


Fig. 1

The building is a Grade II Listed building and is described on Historic England's listing as: HOME FARM NOS 1, 2, 3, 4 AND OUTHouses LINKED TO THE NORTH, PUTTERIDGE PARK National Grid Reference: TL 11746 24452 GV II Farmhouse and dairy, now 4 houses, and outhouses to the North. Early C19, but core of house C17. Red brick outhouses, stucco farmhouse and dairy. Steep pitched roofs of slate. A 2-storeys, cellar and attic, L shaped Gothic house, facing South with rear wing at Northwest linking to single-storey octagonal former dairy with high octagonal roof with pinnacle A long single-storey outhouse range extends to North with ornamental treatment to West side and entrance on East from yard.

The proposed works is to an area of the property that was replaced/refurbished when the developers converted the farm building to residential use in approximately 2003 and it does not impact any original or historic features of the building, as shown on Figs 1, 2 and 3 below.



Fig. 2



Fig. 3



Fig. 4

Location

4 Home Farm Court is part of a group of former barns arranged in a courtyard with the property lying in the North-eastern corner of the range of buildings. It is located in Putteridge Park east of Luton. The site is relatively flat.

Proposal

This application seeks approval for 18 No. Aiko Energy 465-Watt Panels (AIKO-A465-MAH54Mb/2S). These panels are all black with no contrasting perimeter edging allowing them to blend in with the existing roof covering. Should the requirement for these panel become redundant they would be removed totally.

History

The barns as a group are grade II listed. Historic England lists 3 listing descriptions for the group. The East Group, The West Group and The Dovecote at the entrance to the development. Historic England listing state:

Details

Offley Putteridge Park TL 12 SW 6/121 Home Farm - Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and outhouses linked to N. GV II Farmhouse and dairy, now 4 houses, and outhouses to N. Early C19, but core of house C17. Red brick outhouses, stucco farmhouse and dairy. Steep pitched roofs of slate. A 2-storeys, cellar and attic, L-shaped Gothic house, facing S with rear wing at NW linking to single-storey octagonal former dairy with high octagonal roof with pinnacle A long single-storey outhouse range extends to N with ornamental treatment to W side and entrance on E from yard. S front of house has 2 gabled projections with doors. Gabled porch to left hand door (No. 2). Large chimney a third from E end, smaller internal chimney to W part. Bargeboards to all

gables. Mullioned and transomed wooden windows with stucco drips to square heads. Appearance much the same in drawing of 1860 at Putteridge Bury (library).

Offley Putteridge Park TL 12 SW 6/123 South and East Ranges - of Farm Buildings at Home Farm. GV II.

Farm buildings. Early C19. Red brick with hipped slate roofs. Barn in middle of E range incorporates wall frame of an older timber framed barn, white weatherboarded. A regular model farm layout with emphasis on views of the S range from S. This range has round headed openings in 2 orders with gauged arches with taller 3 bays hipped pavilions at each end. Estate Office at right, granary at left, and pigsties between with openings to yard at rear half closed by slate slabs. Stables similarly treated open to yard on W in the E range to N and S of taller barn which opens to E.

Offley Putteridge Park TL 12 SW 6/122 Dovecote at Home Farm - to S of house. GV II.

Dovecote. C18, cased in stucco early C19. Red brick with white brick dressings showing where stucco has fallen off. Plinth faced with York stone slabs. Portland stone sills to small slot openings, and doorway. Scalloped slate roof with flat top where octagonal cupola removed. A tall single-storey octagonal dovecote in corner of field opposite the house with 4-centred arched door at W. String courses and drip moulds in stucco. Wide plastered eaves soffit. Shown complete with cupola in 1860 in drawing in library at Putteridge Bury.

NHDC Planning history shows five entries for 4 Home Farm Court: 00/00172/1LB - 00/00171/1

Planning & Listed building applications for Conversion of the barns to residential units – approved. 03/01923/1HH

Retention of hard surface areas – approved. 16/00837/1HH

Erection of shed – approved. 17/01204/1LB

Installation of Satellite dish – approved.

There is also a valid number of applications to other properties within the group of buildings.

Conclusion

The proposed works are proposed to create minimal impact on the surrounding area and would not be visible from a public road or highway. It is hoped that using all black panels the proposed works would be further enough away from the Listed property this is the “Farmhouse” to not create issues