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DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

18 Ridge Rd -Replacement Windows

It is our intention to replace the existing wooden single glazed windows (like for like) with modern equivalents, retaining the original design and appearance as much as is practicable.

We propose to use similar materials (wood) but sympathetically improve thermal efficiency of the property by introducing slim (18mm) double glazed units.

We believe the appearance of the new windows will be in-keeping with the original design of the property and in fact discernible from the road.

We value and respect the design principles of the architect and seek to preserve the original appearance of the property, improving efficiency and preserving the condition of the house for many years to come.

Below is the Heritage Asset list entry for the property

1906 by B Parker and R Unwin. This pioneer estate was designed for the Garden City Tenants Limited and comprises 13 grouped terraces forming a cul-de-sac and village green layout. One and a half storeys. Mostly one window each with irregular frontages varied by arrangements of large and small dormers and gables. Tiled roofs with multi-form brick stacks. The centre feature of the village green layout is a giant gable taking up Nos 100 and 102. Roughcast walls. Mullioned casement windows with tile labels and glazing bars (some windows altered). Recessed entrances with arched doorways. Included as the earliest estate layout of its type, and the prototype of all future council house developments in the country. The concept of a village green layout was put forward in 1898/9 and published by Parker and Unwin in "The Art of Building a House". The Westholm scheme (qv) was also based on this idea.