

Heritage and Design Statement

For

Install Log burner stove into current fireplace

At

17 Birds Hill, Letchworth, SG6 1PL

For

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Listing Description

BIRDS HILL 1. 5255 Birds Hill Estate Nos 9 to 27 (odd) TL 2232 9/100 and 101 II GV 2. 1906 by B Parker and R Unwin. Two terrace blocks designed for the Garden City Tenants Limited. Mostly one window each with irregular frontages varied by arrangements of large and small dormers and gables. Tiled roofs with brick stacks. Roughcast walls. Mullioned casement windows with tile labels and glazing bars. Recessed entrances with arched doorways.

The fireplace when I purchased the property is as below:



Fireplace with condemned gas fireplace appliance removed



Plan for installing a Wood burner /Multi Fuel Stove:

Removal of existing tiled fireplace and opening the fireplace back to the original builders opening - if original lintel has been removed then will install a concrete lintel and make good plaster the face of the chimney breast.

Board the opening with fermacell fireproof boarding

Lay granite or slate hearths to meet regulations

Line the chimney with a suitable flexible stainless steel flue liner (scaffolding required) and fit a pot hanging cowl with bird guard and cap the 3 open, unused chimney pots

Install a suitable 5kw stove, certify with Hetas certification.

My understanding is that each of the properties in this row have different fireplaces, they were built to the original builders opening and then the owners had personal preference on which style of fireplace to install. There was no evidence of the original fireplace selected.