

**Heritage impact statement**  
**for the Removal of shed and erection of new wooden based weather**  
**boarded shed with cedar shingle roof (part retrospective) at 2 The Street,**  
**Eastling, Kent ME13 0AZ**

Grid Reference TQ 9631856641

The proposed shed falls within the curtilage of No2 The Street which is in the heart of Eastling village. The cottage is listed Grade II and is within a conservation area. No 2 The Street is the most northerly of three cottages all listed as described in the English heritage listing dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 1986 as 'timber framed and clad with mathematical tiles and extended in red brick with plain tiled roof.'



Eastling lies in the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and The Street is within the Eastling Conservation Area (see fig 1)



Fig (1)

For this reason, the shed has been designed to be as compatible with the surrounding buildings and outbuildings as possible.

The proposed new shed will be featheredged weatherboarded using treated timber since we believe this will preserve the conservation area given that a number of buildings in the area, including neighbouring garages and outbuildings, also use weatherboarding. See fig (2) and fig (3).



Fig (2) showing the neighbouring garage.



Fig(3) showing the beginning of the proposed new shed in keeping with the neighbouring garage.

The dimensions for the proposed shed are 2m (to eaves) with a finished height of 3m. The design has a 32-degree roof pitch in order to accommodate cedar-shingle roof tiles.

The shed which is being replaced since it was no longer fit for purpose, consisted of shiplap walls with a flat roof. A photograph and plans have been submitted. The existing shed did not enhance its surroundings and had become somewhat dilapidated. The dimensions of this shed were 3m x 2.4m. We believe the proposed new shed will benefit its surroundings aesthetically with the use of featheredged weatherboarding, in keeping with the neighbouring properties' outbuildings and a cedar shingled tiled roof to enhance the character of the conservation area.

Access into the shed will be via a door. Either side of this door it is proposed to add two windows, dimensions 700mm x 1100mm. The drawing submitted detail this.

The external doors, walls and windows will all be treated with a recognised propriety stain and it is proposed, subject to planners' approval, that this stain match the existing neighbouring outbuildings.

Careful consideration has been given to the position of the new shed in the same site as the existing shed, but allowing for a gap of 1m from the boundary.

The proposed new shed will have no impact on the front of the house. It is within a Listed Building curtilage and a Conservation Area, and as such careful consideration has been given to its construction being in keeping with the architecture of the neighbouring outbuildings.

A shed has previously stood on the proposed site and the proposed new shed is replacing this, its proposed design and build seeks to conserve the significance of the conservation area.