Heritage Statement (2) regarding Planning application 18/02385/FUL

1 Springfield Close, Ovington

Introduction

Following submission of our variation of conditions application, we have been requested to provide a heritage statement as the proposed household renovations are being carried out within the Ovington Conservation area. Our property is not a listed building but falls within the purview of external appearance in a conservation area. To our knowledge there are no design or access issues.

Since the covid pandemic started, we have been working from home instead of the office, these changes have created the need for private office space which could be accommodated in the house with the 5.3² m increase of floor space that this design provides.

The changes to the original application are therefore minimal but would provide us as a family the facility to accommodate increased home working.

Previous Heritage Statement pertaining to application

I attach for each of reference the original heritage statement in relation to this application containing much of the information required for this submission.

Our amended design concept for the porch is to extend the current building over the existing steps effectively squaring off the porch and rotating the stairs 90°, moving the existing steps, landing and railings to the side of the porch as shown in the attached plan.

We will replicate the current appearance using a mixture of saved existing materials, or through the sourcing of matching which will preserve the existing street view of the home (see attached photos).

This change will also include improving the steps and railings and the roof and guttering, improvements that would be required anyway as part of our general renovation of the property.

Conclusion

We really hope that you will look favourably upon our application and accept this statement as evidence that our intention is to ensure that we maintain and improve upon the current public view that rightly designates this part of our village Conservation Area status.

We are happy to discuss further and answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely

Brian Oliver Property Owner and applicant 27th February 2021



