

Osborne House West - Heritage Statement

Built circa 1710 - very early Georgian.

Situated on the edge of the historic centre of Liphook village.

Was a significant building in the area, lesser though since it was split up and the site developed in 1982.

The property is the rear half of the main house, the less pretty side with none of the formal symmetry of the front half.

Stylistic inconsistencies due to alterations and additions over the years. Many differing styles of doors and windows. External works consist only of the moving and widening of a set of French doors accessing the garden. The existing doors will be reused and the additional pair of glazed side panels to be match exactly in material and style to the doors. The doors will be positioned so that they centre on the first floor window above to reintroduce the classic Georgian symmetry.

The remainder of the proposed works are internal. Mostly doorways blocked up and new openings created. Existing doors will be reused as well as Architraves and other details. Where they cannot be reused then they will be replicated exactly. Minimal disturbance to the structure at all times. Previous out of character alterations from when the property was split up in 1982 will be put right so as to be more historically accurate.

The portion of the house that forms the property is entirely not visible from the street as it is only the rear part and is accessed via a lengthy driveway. The entire building is separated from the road by railings, walls and an extensive front garden.

The proposed works are minimal and will not affect the historic style, character or appearance of the house, or the historic centre of Liphook village. Previous consultation was sought and the various proposed ideas were met favourably.