

HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSEMENT

5 Winchilsea Drive, Gretton

INTRODUCTION

This Heritage Statement is intended to assist in the determination of Householder Planning Permission for the above proposals that could affect a Heritage Asset.

Historic England's 'Conservation Principles' sets out a method for thinking systematically and consistently about the heritage values that can be ascribed to a place. People value historic places in many different ways; 'Conservation Principles' shows how they can be grouped into four categories:

Evidential value: the potential of a place to yield evidence about past human activity.

Historical value: the ways in which past people, events and aspects of life can be connected through a place to the present - it tends to be illustrative or associative.

Aesthetic value: the ways in which people draw sensory and intellectual stimulation from a place.

Communal value: the meanings of a place for the people who relate to it, or for whom it figures in their collective experience or memory.

Below we will use the above principles to assess the significance and heritage value of the buildings that are the subject of this application.

Existing

The property lies on the eastern side of the village of Gretton, near Corby. The dwelling itself is set back from the public highway and is accessed via a private driveway and set within the Conservation area.

Gretton is a village and civil parish in the district of North Northamptonshire.

The property has it would appear is in an as built form, with little or no addition/alteration to it since construction

Evidential value:

The property does not provide any evidence about past human activity.

Historical value

Due to the properties age and design there is very little historical value of the existing property.

Communal value

The property does not provide any communal value

Aesthetic value

The property appears to be built in 1960`s as a dwelling. The external walls are built from brick. The roof covering is the original roof covering of concrete tiles, the windows are UPVC.

The whole of the property is in keeping with its surroundings and of similar style to the other properties within the street.

CONCLUSION

The dwelling is of little heritage value. The proposed development will improve the existing building for the occupants by providing the extra bedroom and further outdoor space at the same level as the living areas. The design is aimed at improving the family living space in line with the needs for a modern family.