

Heritage Statement

Site name

17 Devonshire Place

**Address of site
(including postcode)**

17 Devonshire Place, Hove, BN2 1QA

Grid Reference

50°49'17"N , 000°07'53"W

1. Schedule of Works

Please state the type of proposal e.g. extension to a listed building, internal alterations

Removal of rear fire escape

Please list the works proposed e.g. replacement windows, removal of internal wall, reinstatement of original staircase, damp proofing works to basement etc.

The proposal is for removal of the existing rear fire escape, as this has reached a state of disrepair that it is no longer fit for use. The Fire escape is to be removed, including any embedded joinery, and the rear elevation made good with a lime render.

2. Pre Application Advice

Have you consulted the East Sussex Historic Environment Record, as the minimum requirement of the NPPF?

Yes No

If no, please provide the reasons why not below, including any correspondence with the HER/LPA archaeological advisor or LPA validation team:

Due to the scale of the works it was not judged that this as required.

If Yes, please attach any correspondence to this Heritage Statement in Appendix 1 (including the HER Consultation Report)

Have you sought pre-application heritage advice from the relevant local planning authority?

Yes No

If Yes, please provide a copy of any written correspondence with reference number/contact name if applicable.

Have you sought pre-application heritage advice from Historic England?

Yes No

If Yes, please provide a copy of any written correspondence with reference number/contact name if applicable.

3. What heritage asset(s), including their setting, are potentially affected by the proposals? (Please tick the relevant boxes below) (See guidance section: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage/heritage-statements-what-heritage-assets-are-affected-proposals>)

1: Scheduled Monument (SM)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Listed Building (LB)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Conservation Area (CA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Registered Park and Garden (RPG)	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Historic Battlefield (HB)	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Locally Listed Heritage Asset (LLHA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Archaeological Notification Area (ANA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
8 Other Non-Designated Heritage Asset (including below ground archaeology)	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. What is known about the affected heritage asset(s)? (See guidance section: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage/heritage-statements-what-known-about-affected-heritage-assets>)

4 (a). Using the information obtained through research and on-site analysis provide a summary of the history of the site/building.

Please add a summary history of the site/building including specifically the parts that will be impacted by the proposals – e.g. how the site/building was originally laid out, how it has evolved, phases of construction and/or change. Please also provide information on past impacts – e.g. modern extension, drainage, former footings, recent landscaping, gardening. **Please include / attach any research material as an addendum to this Statement after Appendix 1.**

<p>The existing site is a 5-storey residential property converted into flats. The property is Grade II Listed and situated in the East Cliff Conservation Area.</p> <p>The fire escape will have been added to the building during previous conversions of the property into multiple flats. This proposal seeks to remove the fire escape which will return the exterior closer to its original appearance, and reduce damage to the listed building.</p>
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4 (b) What research have you undertaken to understand the significance of the heritage asset(s) affected?

Please tick the relevant boxes

HER	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Keep (East Sussex Record Office)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Map regression (historic maps)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Planning Authority sources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic England sources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Museum or Library (please provide details)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please state)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(Please include / attach any research material as an addendum to this Statement after Appendix 1.)

5. What is important about the affected heritage asset(s) ('the significance')? (See guidance section: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage/heritage-statements-what-important-about-affected-heritage-assets>)

Use this space to describe the significance of the heritage asset(s) including their setting (and any below ground archaeology) identified in Section 3. Please see the guidance notes on page 9 on what a heritage asset is and how to define significance.

(Please continue on a separate sheet of paper if further space is required and attach / include as an addendum to this Statement after Appendix 1.)

<p>The asset is part of a grade II listed building in a conservation area.</p> <p>The location of the fire escape is to the rear elevation, and is shielded from public view. The only way to view the addition is from the rear yard and rear terrace of this property and opposite properties. This is therefore deemed to be of low significance.</p>
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6. How will the proposals impact on the significance of the heritage asset(s) including their setting? (See guidance section: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage/heritage-statements-how-will-proposals-impact-significance-heritage-assets>)

Please discuss what impact the proposals have on the heritage asset(s) i.e. loss or disturbance of historic building fabric, below or above ground

archaeological impacts, setting or change of relationship between buildings and altering scale. **(Please continue on a separate sheet of paper if further space is required and attach / include as an addendum to this Statement after Appendix 1.)**

As per the previous section the changes to the rear elevation are likely to have little effect on the heritage asset and is not easily viewed by members of the public.

7. How has the proposal been designed to conserve the significance of the heritage asset(s) including their setting? (See guidance section: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage/heritage-statements-how-has-proposal-been-designed-serve-significance>)

Describe how the proposal has been designed to conserve and enhance the significance of the heritage assets (including below ground archaeology). Also describe how any harmful impacts have been avoided or minimised. For example, use of raft foundations, movement of the proposed extension to a less sensitive location.

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The works will include removal of the metalwork currently embedded to the masonry of the building. This metalwork is currently corroding and causing cracks to the render and damage to the masonry due to expansion. This has also led to damp ingress internally.

The removal of the fire escape will stop further damage of this nature and include making good of the masonry lime render, protecting the house.

Contact details:

County Archaeology Team
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Historic Environment Record
County.HER@eastsussex.gov.uk

Historic England
www.historicengland.org.uk

Local Planning Authority

Brighton & Hove City Council: <http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/planning/heritage>

Appendix 1

<p>To be completed by the applicant – please tick the relevant box Please note one of these boxes must be ticked or your application will not be valid For further help contact County.HER@eastsussex.gov.uk</p>	
HER Consultation report attached	<input type="checkbox"/>
HER Consultation report not considered necessary as confirmed in attached email from HER	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>HER Consultation report not relevant for reasons indicated by the Local Planning Authority. These reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The site is not located in an Archaeological Notification Area and is not a major development - The site is located in an Archaeological Notification Area but no below ground works or demolition works are proposed - The application is for change of use 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>