

Front door at 55 West Street, Warwick: Replacement of front door to listed building to return to original design.

Design and Access Statement

The property is a grade II listed building¹ located within the conservation area in Warwick town centre.

The front door needs replacing since it is a poor fit and no longer keeps out the weather or the dust/pollution/noise from the road. This is not an historic door; we know it to have been made and fitted around 1980 before we lived in the area.

Since the door forms a prominent feature on the building's principal elevation, we would like to take this opportunity to restore the door design to one that is more in keeping with the original age of the building.

Extensive research of the guidance note by The Georgian Group on choosing an appropriate design of door leads us to conclude a solid wooden door, with 6 panels, painted, would be more in keeping with the age of the property. Door furniture (doorknob, letterbox, knocker etc) would be cast iron, painted black.



Existing door 1



Front elevation with existing door 1

¹ Historic England entry: 1781 WEST STREET (South East Side) No 55 SP 2764 8/258. II GV C18, altered. Red brick, old tiled roof. 2 storeys and attics. Plinth, chamfered quoins, cavetto cornice. 2 gabled casement dormers; 2 sashes with glazing bars, stucco heads and keyblocks. Doric pilasters and entablature to central doorway with oblong fanlight. Modern ground floor casement bay on left.

Nos 49 to 63 (odd) form a group
Listing NGR: SP2793464536

As can be seen from the wider street scene, a range of building styles have survived from previous centuries



Context: wider street scene 1

See attached document **Proposed Design (1)**: sketch of design of replacement door. This has been based on other houses of this date in Warwick, which have doors of the style we propose. The door case, including the fanlight, would be unaltered.