

Thimble Thatch, Winsor Road, Southampton, SO402HP Support Statement

Proposal;-

Increasing height of chimney

This planning application seeks consent to raise the height of the flue outlet of the chimney.

The proposed works comprises removing the existing chimney crown and pots, constructing, in brickwork colour matching the cottage, a chimney stack, crown and pots, enabling the outlet of the flue, when reconstructed, to be at a height required by current Building Regulations.

The regulations require the flue outlet to be a minimum of 1.8m above a readily ignitable surface such as thatch.

Masonry chimney stacks in the locality vary in height and form, some being in the region of 1.0m of brickwork topped with clay pots of around 0.45m. Corbeled brickwork is also present.

The proposal is to produce a chimney similar to those near by. Terminals including a bird/rain guard on the active flue and a vented cap on the non-active flue are proposed.

It is anticipated that the works will be carried out implementing 'full plans' Building Control, and by a local competent contractor.

As the proposed works solely relate to increasing the height of the chimney, they are unlikely to have any significant impact on the energy efficiency of the dwelling, nor any impact on flood risk.

Subject to the bricks meeting Building Control requirements, it is proposed they are sourced from local 'secondhand /reused' clay bricks. Similarly the existing terminals will be reused where possible.

