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**Sent:**Tue, 8 Mar 2022 14:07:32 +0000  
**To:**Danielle Brooke  
**Subject:**F/YR22/0210/LBCERT Christchurch Farm, Sixteen Foot Bank, Christchurch  
**Attachments:**Mitsubishi\_SRKZS-S.pdf

Dear Danielle,

**RE: F/YR22/0210/LBCERT Christchurch Farm, Sixteen Foot Bank, Christchurch**

Attached, and below is information relevant to this application that has been received in the course of correspondence with the applicant:

“Good Morning,

Just to provide more information: We're planning on installing a Mitsubishi SRK35ZSW premium inverter for each of the two upstairs front-facing bedrooms.

These are dual mode and will provide heat in the winter and cold air in the summer. The inverter is highly efficient and will reduce our use of oil-fired central heating.

We see this as an interim solution en route to a non-oil-based heating system for the entire house - ground or air source being the most likely choice - as the Government's plan to encourage a move away from fossil fuels.

Over the next 5 years or so we will assess the success of the inverter and wait to see how the market develops for new heating and cooling systems before we decide on a full solution.

Each inverter consists of an internal temperature-controlled wall-mounted fan and the external inverter which will sit on the ground at the base of each side wall. The only impact on the fabric of the building will be a 6cm diameter hole in the side wall through which cabling and ducting will pass.

Pictures below.

The internal fan is 305x920x20 mm (Height/Width/Depth)

The external inverter is 640x800x90 mm”



**My comments are as follows:**

This application for a Certificate of Lawfulness of Proposed Works seeks to determine whether or not this proposal would impact on the special interest of the listed building ( Christchurch Farm, a late Georgian farmhouse (1830) List Entry Number: 1125932) to such a degree that listed building consent is required.

Given that the units are free standing, the installations reversible and, despite the casing/ducting, the direct impact on the fabric of the building is minimal, it is felt in this instance that listed building consent is not required.

There is a concern however, that if more units are installed there will begin to be a cumulative impact on the special architectural and historic interest of the building, as the units and associated ducting are visually intrusive and a piecemeal approach to energy saving measures might cause more harm than would otherwise be necessary. In such a circumstance, I feel that listed building consent would be required in order to reassess the proposal. Therefore, the support of this Certificate does not equate to support of any further installation without further discussion, pre-application enquiry and/or listed building consent.

Kind regards,

Claire.

Claire Fidler

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