Design and Access Statement – 2 Harnham Hall Cottages NE20 0HF

Description of work done

In the 1992 or 1993, an L shaped stud wall with a natural wood branch pillar at the open end, that formed an inner porch to the front door was removed to open up the space into one large room.

A doorway that had been in the stone wall directly opposite the front door was moved to the left hand end of the room, as per the attached drawings and the opening where it had been was closed up with stone and rendered. A small stud wall approximately one meter in length was erected nest to the position of the new door, to block drafts from the door. The original door was used in the new position

The room has been used as the main reception room for the monastery.

Also in the 1990s in the back room, the staircase and under stair area were enclosed with tongue and groove to make an under stair storage cupboard with a door at the right (east) hand end.

In 2008, a partition wall mostly consisting of a window and a door with a glass panel in the top half, was installed in the back room to divide off the kitchen area at the east (right) end. Previously this area had been divided off by counter level kitchen units. Between 1989 and 1991 the Byre was converted from a one room cowshed with stalls into four accommodation rooms on two floors, and an extension with a bathroom, sauna and toilet was added

<u>Access</u> to the cottage remains as previously through the front door. An outer porch had been added to the cottage prior to it being listed.

Previous Consents received for this building and adjacent land.

Consent 16/03828/LBC was received in 2016 for changes to the stud walls upstairs in this building.

Consent 13/03463/LBC was received in 2012 to replace the windows at the front of 2 Harnham Hall Cottages

Consent 86/D/5369 was received in 1987 for new Dhamma Hall and renovation of Byre on land immediately neighbouring 2 Harnham Hall Cottages.