Heritage Statement for proposed works

at

Dignity Pet Crematorium,
Brickfields,
Odiham Road,
Winchfield,
Hook,
Hants,
RG27 8BU

PROPOSAL: Retrospective application for installation of two new portacabins to be used as temporary offices and two temporary cold rooms.

The proposed works are near a Grade II listed building as detailed below:

Name: Kiln at Brickfield

List Entry Number: 1244709

Location: Odiham Road

Grid Reference: SU 76020 54055



History & Character of Building: Built circa 1860. Single kiln with cone top above square base. Red brickwork in English bond (headers to cone), tall narrow access, plinth; spandrels within to meet curved base of cone. 3 later corner buttresses.

After encouragement from Hampshire County Council to find a use for the derelict building following its renovation planning permission was granted in 1991 (reference: 91/21166/FUL) for the "siting of a small incineration unit within existing brick kiln for pet cremation" and the brick kiln is now regarded by the local community as an integral part of the pet cremation service carried out on site.

The site itself has a mixture of building styles surrounding the brick kiln including a modern pet crematorium building build circa 2001. In 2011, planning permission was granted for an extension to this building, a covered walkway and an ancillary building on the site (reference 11/00698/FUL).

In 2021, permission was granted for the provision of a new single storey detached 'farewell room' with office space within the roof void, following demolition of the existing structure (21/00881/FUL).

Due to the recent growth in the business, an application is currently being prepared to extend the existing multi-use building to accommodate the increase in staff numbers and storage by providing more office space, a staff recreation room and will incorporate a central larger cold room store. For the interim, two temporary portacabins and two temporary cold room stores have been installed around the site – see accompanying plans. This application seeks retrospective approval for this temporary installation.

We will not be carrying out any works to the brick kiln under this development.

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