



0242-0000-P01-Design and Access and Heritage Statement

Woodcroft, Henley, IP6 0QX - Proposed 2 Bay Timber Carport

Site:

Woodcroft is located in Henley Village on Ashbocking Road adjacent to the cross road junction with Main Road. The main Henley Road runs through the centre of the village and provides good transport links with Ipswich. The road also connects the outer lying villages of Debenham and Gosbeck to the county town. The site shares a boundary with Five acres Car garage to the South/West, the dwelling attached on the North boundary and has farmland to the North East.

Access:

The site benefits from good visibility splays. The scheme proposes to not alter the access; therefore, no alteration or change is required to the Highways access.

Design and Layout:

The proposal is to add a single storey 2 Bay carport as submitted in the pre-application DC/23/02727 to provide covered parking for the clients two daily vehicles. The 2 bay carport will be open on all sides and situated in between an existing shed and the dwelling where the client currently parks already.

Appearance:

The posts, beams and braces will all be built in oak and lifted from the ground level on staddle stones. The timber flat roof will be covered with a 3 layer felt system and finished with a kiln dried oak fascia.

Heritage:

Listing:

HENLEY ASHBOCKING ROAD TM 15 SE 4/115 Woodcroft, and The Post - Office, Main Road - II House and part of post office; originally one house. Early or mid C16 with alterations of C17 and later. 2 storeys. Timber-framed and plastered. Hipped concrete plaintiled roof with 2 axial chimneys of red brick. Mainly C20 casements. Gabled C20 entrance porch to Woodcroft, with battened and boarded door. Probably a house of 3-cell cross-passage entrance plan; the Post Office contains the former parlour and chamber above. There is evidence for a possible original smoke-bay between hall and parlour; in the latter is a crenellated mantel beam, and in the former is a large open fireplace with cambered lintel which is clearly inserted. The original studwork and upper floor structure is heavy and plain; evidence for shuttered windows with square mullions. A datestone 1687 in the cellar probably relates to a chimney added to the service end, and to the butt-purlin roof which reuses the components of the previous roof. The village wheelwright is believed to have lived here down to the C19, when an outshut was added to the rear.



Heritage:

Proposal:

The choice of materials for the carport, such as oak posts, beams and braces, staddle stones and oak fascias help integrate the proposal into its existing setting. The material choices are in harmony with the vernacular architecture of the site and reflect the natural elements found in Henley Village ensuring the proposal compliments the site and villages visual character.