



5th October 2023



Thank you to you and your colleague,  for taking the time to meet and speak with me regarding the attached retrospective Listed Building Works application.

For the changes that we made that we are now seeking Listed Building consent for works that we undertook with the intention to improve our accommodation. Making our home warmer, less draughty, less damp, more cost effective to run and more secure.

At considerable expense we endeavoured to make the replacement doors and windows have a look that matched as closely as possible those doors and windows, we had taken out, and so achieve our aims of a warmer, less draughty, less damp, cost effective running and greater home security.

Many neighbours who have visited seen the works completed and commented on how well they match the rest of the existing windows and see little difference in the appearance of the doors. One porch way door to the front of the house cannot be seen from the road and the other porch way door toward the rear only as a side view from the road.

None of the works undertaken have been on any part of the original listed building and only taken place on new extension porches, that were built by previous owners, with full planning permission between 1990 / 1991. It is a shame that quality materials were not used at the time.

In addition it has only very recently come to our attention, in fact since we received your letter, that retrospective planning permission has been granted for a cottage, Moonbeam Cottage, Minsterworth in the last 12 months, with the use of Composite Doors allowed. To demonstrate consistency and fairness in your decision making, we ask that you consider our application in the same positive light.

We would also like to point out that the stripping out of the doors and windows would feel like a waste of resources.

Regards

Roger Ingham