

Heritage Statement

For: Nottingham Fire and Rescue Service

Creation of new single storey extension at Southwell Fire Station

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1. Description of the Building, Usage and Ownership:



Figure 1: Southwell Fire Station, front elevation as seen from Newark Road

The main building as shown in the photograph above is the setting for the local fire station for the residents of Southwell and surrounding areas as it stands today. The site belongs to Nottingham fire and rescue service and is crewed by on-call personal only, who carry pagers with them and respond from home, or another place of work, whenever required. The station responds to dwellings & other building fires, vehicles fires, outdoor fires, road traffic collisions, false alarms & other non-fire related incidents.

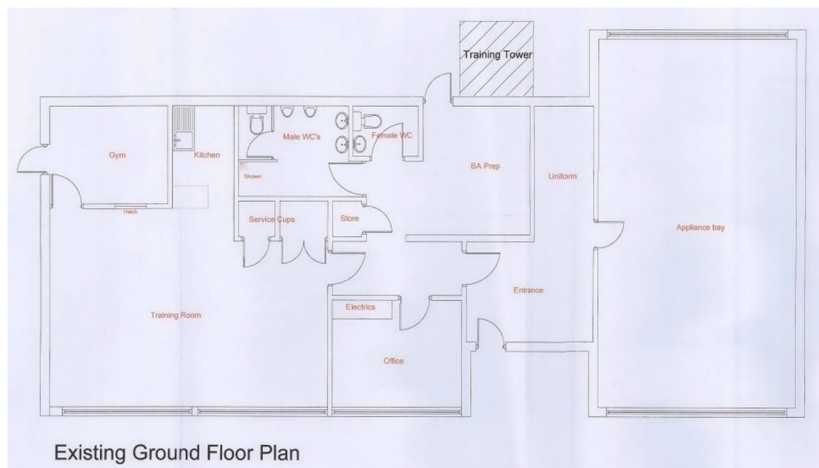


Figure 2: Existing Floor Plan (Prior to planning approvals granted in 2008).

The fire station shown below was constructed in 1967 using CLASP (consortium of Local Authorities Special Programme) building system consisting of a steel / timber frame clad with pre-cast concrete cladding panels and supporting a felt covered flat roof. Since this time the station has been staffed with providing cover on a twenty-four-hour basis each day of the year, crewing one fire appliance.

2. Site Location

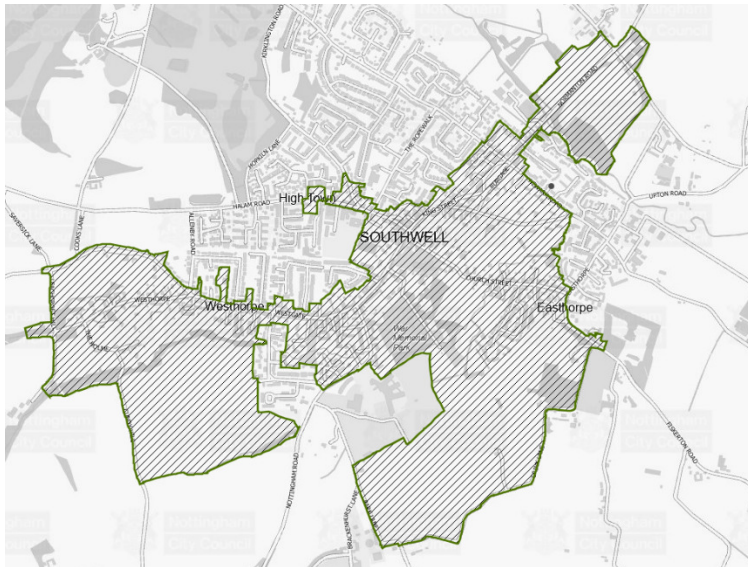


Figure 3: Nottingham City Council, Conservation areas mapping search tool.

Mapping of Collingham, denoting the Fire station at (E470699, N354109), the site is adjacent to the local conservation area boundary of 216.98 hectares (as denoted above) which spans large segments of Southwell, Easthorpe & Westhorpe. Southwell is located within 8 miles of Newark-on-Trent & approximately half-way between Nottingham and Lincoln.

3. Previous Applications & Permitted Works.

The station is not currently protected under any listings and has been subject to a previous permitted development on the June 2008, this is provided below for reference: 08/00595/FUL - Single storey extension to rear – submitted on 22/04/2008 & permitted on 06/05/2008.

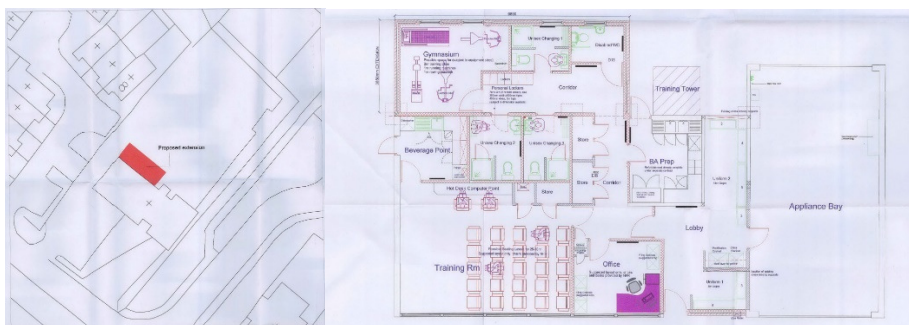


Figure 4: Site Plan from previously submitted application. Red denotes rear single storey extension.

Figure 5: Denoting area of the proposed extension to the existing station.

4. Assessment of Impact

The proposed development will see the construction of a new single storey outbuilding of 22m² located at the rear of the site, within close proximity to the boundary. The extension will be minor, consisting of traditional construction and located away from the existing CLASP building rather than interfacing with the existing footprint.

The proposed works will have a minimal impact on the appearance of the site from the roadside as it hidden away from both Newark Road and Meadow View. The height of the building will also be of a similar height to the previous extension, therefore again limiting the visual impact the proposed building will have on the site. All materials are to closely match the existing building as stated in the planning application and as shown on the drawings provided.

5. Mitigation of Impact:

The siting of the proposed outbuilding has been located in such a position so that it does not detract from the main building, neither will it detract from the overall appearance of the site and setting from the roadside.