

HERITAGE STATEMENT

APPLICANT NAME: Sean and Joanna Jefferson

SITE NAME: Field House

ADDRESS OF SITE INCLUDING POSTCODE: The Alley
Stedham
West Sussex
GU29 0NR

GRID REFERENCE: SU 86355 22376

ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Field house is located within the conservation area of Stedham - shown as the highlighted house in the conservation map shown below. The property is located by the village green and on the corner of Lavender Row and The Alley and is not considered to be of any historic significance. Built in the 1960's Field House has brick and vertical tile clad walls under a tiled roof, on a plot of land that used to belong to the neighbouring property – The Bakehouse.

The house is flanked by high hedges and a very large eucalyptus tree in the front garden.



Rear of house from road



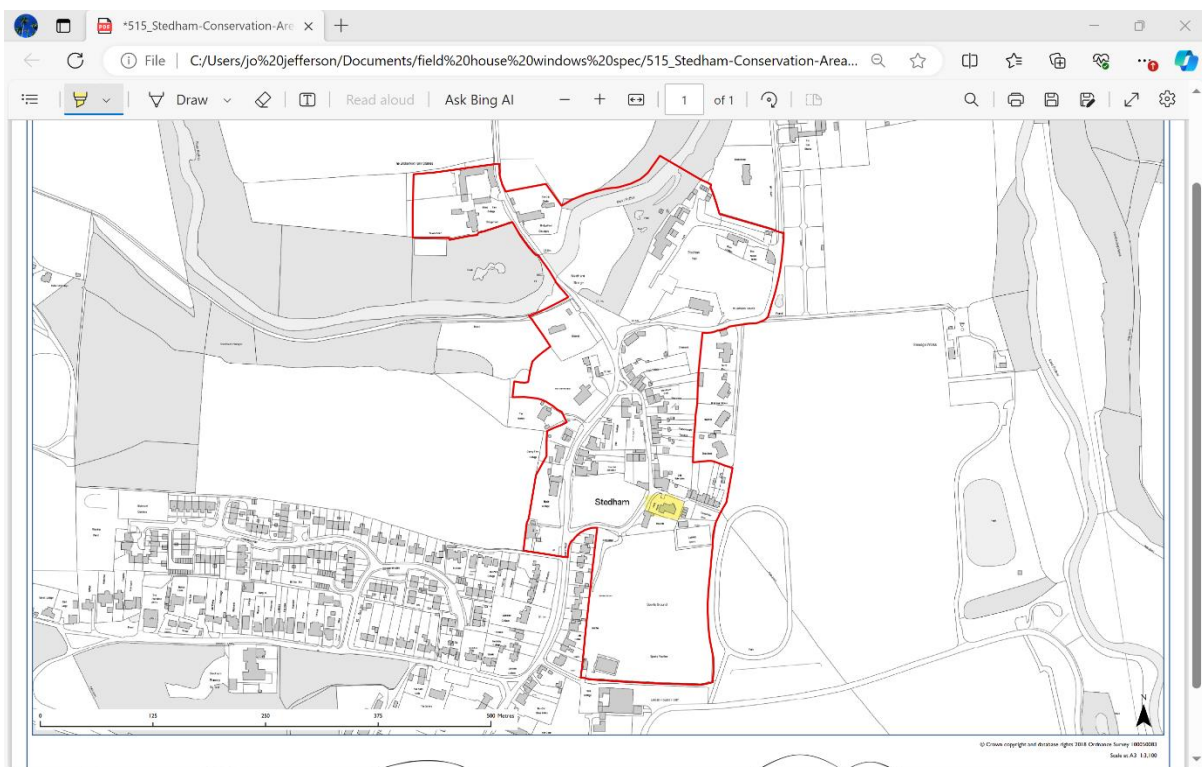
Side of house from road



Front of house from road



Front of house as seen from the green



Conservation map of Stedham showing location of Field House in yellow

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

The application proposes the replacement of all existing windows to 3 sides of the house (East, North and South elevations)

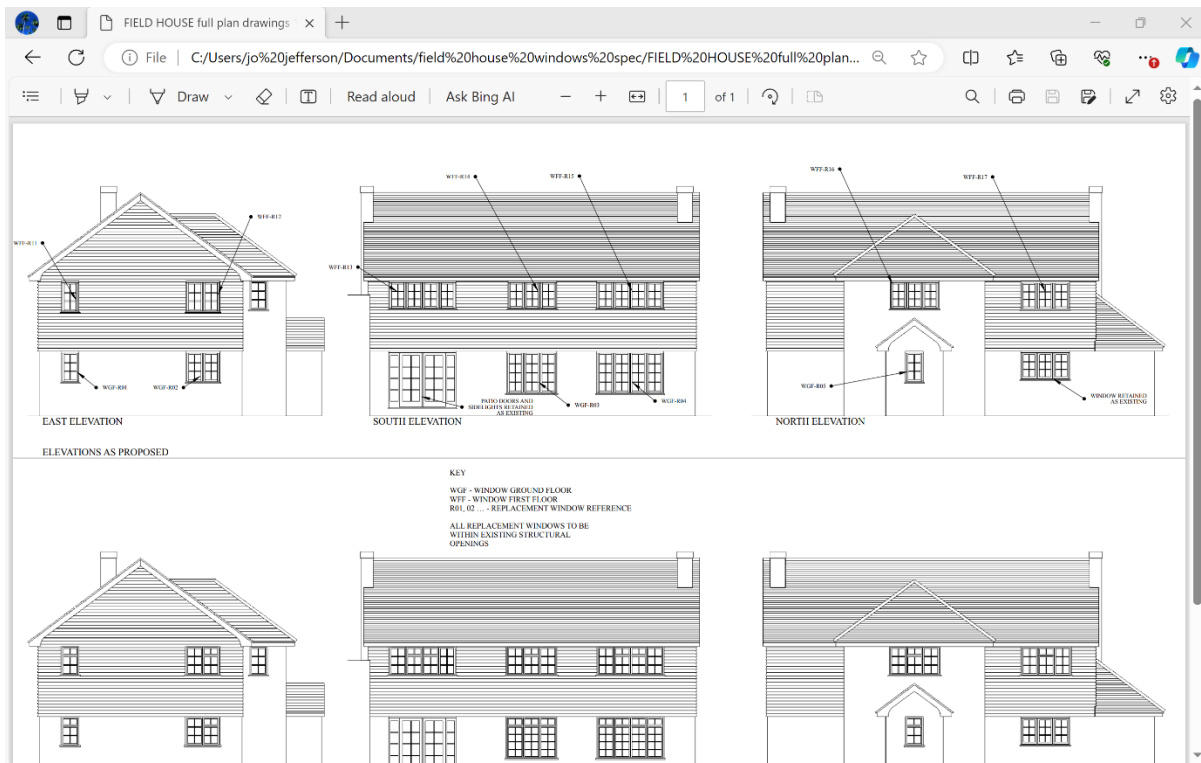
All existing windows are currently white painted wooden single glazed Georgian style casement windows. (Many of which are rotten and parts have collapsed – see photos below)



The proposed replacement windows are to be white painted FLUSH 70 WG CASEMENT TLJ Evolution windows, authentic timber effect finish with mechanical joints. Visually these look identical to what is currently in place (see below examples of the windows)



Below are drawings to show elevations of the property with current windows and the proposed windows



JUSTIFICATION AND MITIGATION

The proposed windows need to be replaced as they are rotten and collapsing and not only are causing heat loss from the building but also pose a security threat to the property.

The proposed replacement flush window have all the proportions of traditional flush casement timber windows, but without all the drawbacks of timber. They won't warp or rot, they don't need the continual maintenance of repainting every few years. They have very high energy efficiency – more so than timber, and the double glazing will prevent not only heat loss but also control noise impact.

We have chosen these windows as they have also been designed to look identical to timber casement windows so maintaining the look of a period property which we want to achieve.

SUMMARY

It is considered that the replacement of the windows will not have a negative impact upon the appearance of the conservation area. The existing windows are constructed with materials that do not reference the historic environment. The proposed replacement windows are designed to conserve and enhance the character and appearance of the building and consequently visually benefit the conservation area.

I can confirm that I have consulted the following websites for information contained in this statement:

Heritage statements for South Downs National Park Authority: a Guide for Applicants

Conservation Area character appraisal on SDNP website

The National Heritage List for England