

Heritage Statement – 21 Colliergate, York, YO18BN

Schedule of Works:

The gate is made from lightweight steel and will attach by 2 small hinges to the wall, which is 40cm back from the street. The latch will attach to a recessed section of the woodwork. It will secure a section of the alleyway that is owned by the property, the alleyway measures 210 x 145cm. The use of lightweight materials will minimise and damage to the existing woodwork and also allow for and signs of the gate to be covered up if it is ever removed or no longer needed. It would be fitted in less than a day by a specialist and would cause no inconvenience to any other businesses operating on Colliergate.

Respecting/Protecting the History & Character of the Building:

21 Colliergate is a Grade 2 Listed building (List Entry Number: 1258008 per historicengland.org.uk). This is this the case for all building on Colliergate and the Shambles which runs adjacent. It is located within the city walls but is not categorised as Scheduled Monument. In order to respect and protect the character of the building, the gate we have chosen is new but based around a popular design used throughout the 1800's which matches the look of the property and its original time period.

The gate will open inwards into the alleyway and secure against the adjacent wall. It will not protrude into the street. And will be set back over 1ft (40cm) from the front profile of the studio. As such, the addition of the gate will not have any negative impact on the character of the building, its setting, and the setting of adjacent buildings.

Justification for the Works:

The proposed gate is needed to protect our property from increasing incidents of antisocial behaviour, drug use, public urination/defecation.

21 Colliergate (that place piercing studio) was recently burgled and damages to the value of £1500 were caused to the original features of the building, including the door, doorframe, woodwork. This gate will protect the features of the building and also the adjacent listed building too.

This is something that we have been advised to do by the City of York Police, Street Rangers, and York Bid due to the issues we have been experiencing which disrupt our business through antisocial behaviour.