

Heritage Statement

This Grade 11 listed dwelling lies within the Kirdford conservation area surrounded by other listed buildings. There is proposed only very minor alteration to the external appearance of the existing rear facing conservatory. The existing conservatory glass roof is to be replaced with slate off the existing rafters and frame. It is thought the slate roof will maintain the character of the cottage and be in keeping with the area. Although the conservatory addition dates from more recently the house dates from the early 19th Century and is one of several locally listed buildings within the village.

The proposed works are quite modest in nature and involve the removal of the glass roof and replacing with natural slate off the existing rafters and frame. The works are being carried out to improve the thermal insulation of the roof so that it won't be so hot in summer and cool in winter and so may be used as an all year round habitable space. The proposals will have the added advantage of reducing light pollution of the night skies whilst reducing heat loss the from the dwelling.

It is thought that the significance of replacing the glass with slate is quite minimal on this heritage asset, as the conservatory is a much later addition and indeed is situated at the rear of the property. The use of slate will provide an aesthetically appealing finish in common with the local vernacular. It is considered there is no harm to the building itself nor the local area in particular.