Background

27 High Street is a grade II listed property in the heart of Saffron Walden, within Zone 3 of the Saffron Walden Conservation Area, in Essex. (List Entry No.1206007, in conjunction with no. 29).

It was a former house, which has now been converted into shops and offices. Late C16 or early C17.

Statement of Significance

Timber-framed and rendered with gabled plain tile roofs.

Front has plain parapet and early C19 painted timber cornice with paired modillions.

First floor has 3 tripartite double-hung sash windows with small panes and large projecting plaster panels. Ground floor has 3 C20 shop fronts with fascias and hardwood shop windows and recessed C20 door to first floor.

Rear has 3 gables with decorative barge-boards and single storey flat roofed C20 painted brick extension. Long wall-jettied timber-framed former house with unarticulated cross-wing at N end which forms the northernmost rear gable.

Both roofs have clasped side purlins and arched wind bracing.

Some jowls visible on first floor. Front wall had series of oriels and frieze windows with moulded mullions (viewed during recent renovation and now again concealed).

The proposed works

Addition of a fascia to the existing space above front window, which will be similar in concept to the fascia currently on 27c and 29 High Street.

There will be minimal alterations to the actual building. Only screws will be added to secure fascia to the existing woodwork.

Soft fit facia

Overall length 4 meter

Overall height 60cm

Planning History Location Statutory Address: 27 AND 29, HIGH STREET The building or site itself may lie within the boundary of more than one authority. County: Essex District: Uttlesford (District Authority) Parish: Saffron Walden National Grid Reference: TL 53686 38469 Details

SAFFRON WALDEN-TL5338 HIGH STREET 669-1/1/195 (West side) 29/08/69 Nos.27 AND 29 - GV II

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Impact on Significance

The character, appearance and structure of the building will be preserved. It will have minimal impact on the heritage site.