## Listed Building Consent Application - Supporting document and images

Applicant:

Property Address: Russell House, Victoria Street, Painswick, GL6 6QA

Type of property: Residential, Grade II listed

Email address:

Mobile:

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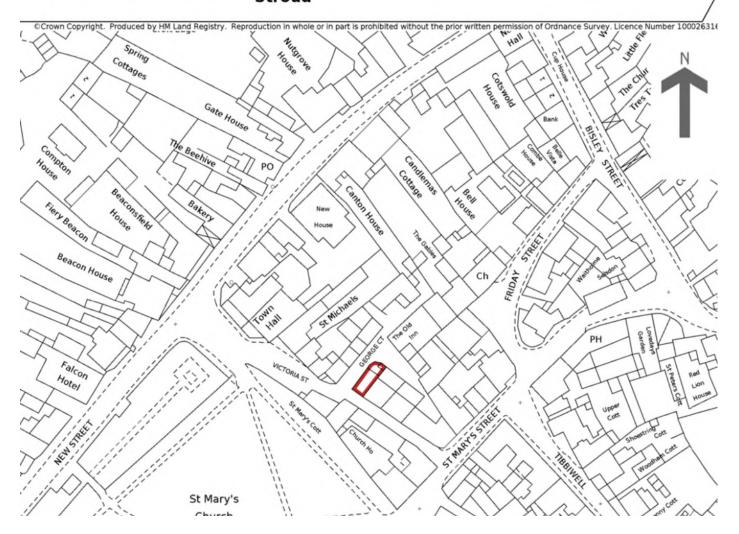
1. Door facing Victoria Street

## Map showing the location and boundary of the site

HM Land Registry Official copy of title plan

Title number **GR239695**Ordnance Survey map reference **SO8609NE**Scale **1:1250**Administrative area **Gloucestershire**: **Stroud** 





## 1. **Door facing Victoria Street**

(Independent Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Our surveyor Surveyors) noted that our current front facing door on Victoria Street is not an original door or in style and keeping with the property or with other neighbouring properties. It is not traditional and has 1950's Georgian glass. The previous owner did not use this door as the main door (instead used a door at the back of the property as the main door) and it was not opened/in use for many years. It has become warped as a result and the wood is rotten in one of the corners on the inside side. I cannot open the door even when I apply a lot of force. Only my partner when visiting has been able to open this door since I bought the property on 7/2/24. I therefore feel it is also a fire hazard as the windows at the front of the property on the ground floor, facing Victoria Street, do not open either (the middle window should open but it has been painted and sealed shut by the previous owner/s, we are getting quotes to repair it instead of replace). If there were a fire starting at the back of the house from the kitchen and boiler room areas, both which are next to the other entrance door at the back of the property, the only way out of the property would be from the first and second floor windows. I do not feel comfortable with this and not being able to open the door myself,

I would like to take the opportunity, as the new owner to change this door, to make it more in line with the style and keeping of the property and to make sure it no longer visually stands out (in a bad way) next to our neighbouring properties. I also want to make sure that the door can be opened and can be a fire exit if it ever were needed. The property is a beautiful cottage with stunning views across the church, yew trees and over to the valley and I truly believe the front door lets the property down at the moment and is simply not traditional in any way.

#### Position of the current door:







### Proposal for the new door:

My proposal for the replacement of the door is to install a timber single door painted light grey (to match the front facing window frames of the property) which would be more in keeping with the heritage, style and age of the property than what is currently present. There would be panelling on both sides of the door (as seen in the picture below).

For the glass pane on the single door, my preference would be to have a <u>small</u> heart shaped glass panel, in obscure satin glass for some privacy from Victoria Street (as seen in the separate picture below, noting that it would be a single door and not a stable door as in the separate picture). My supporting reason for this design is that throughout the property, this heart shape is already on all of the interior doors – so this would be in keeping with the interior of the property. I also received positive support for this design choice at preapplication stage and was requested to submit the listed building consent application.

Our reason for not going for a stable door is that having further consulted our joiners, they have advised against the stable door for the reasons that it would have had to open inwards due to Victoria Street (people and cars passing) and that would mean that in terms of longevity, opening inwards would increase the chances of draught and water entering between the top and bottom parts of the door. This is why we have chosen a single door.





Pictures below showing interior doors in the property in regards to keeping with the theme of the heart shape.











Justification of why my proposals above may be acceptable in planning policy terms, referencing **Stroud District Local Plan 2015**.

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- Paragraph 3.90 the new door would: 1) maintain and improve the sustainability of the property;
  and 3) protect and enhance the historic environment.
- Page 96 the new door is in line with the preservation and enhancement of the area's landscape, character and built heritage which is paramount.
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I thank you in advance for your time and attention and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,