

H/23/94605 – Crableck, High Street, Bursledon, SO31 8DJ.

Context.

Lying on the southern side of the High Street within zone 7 of the Old Bursledon Conservation Area between Turnstones to the east and The Red Brick House to the west which is a completely unsympathetic building in this context, Crableck sits nestled down below the road, modern but more in tune with the local vernacular like Turnstones.

The nearest listed buildings are The Old Cottage on the opposite side of the road, Greyladyes approximately 100m to the north in School Lane and The Dolphin some 100m west along the High Street. The Old Post Office the other side of Turnstones, Primrose Cottage just this side of the Dolphin and the White House the other side of it are all noted as making a positive contribution to the conservation area.

The Proposal.

At the front of the house is a garage separated from the main building by a car- port open at either end, causing the front door to be squeezed into an insignificant gesture between it and the house, and the car-port utilised as an open store. Converting this into a studio and new entrance will give the entrance the status it deserves, enhancing the dwellings presentation to the street. Removal of the various bright white waste pipes adorning the front wall would improve this even further.

The second element of this application, the study at the southern corner of the building away from the road has been designed well to fit in with the character of the house yet be subservient and the corner window gives both interest and lightness of form from outside with more interest to the inside while maximising the view.

Conclusion.

This is a well considered scheme that will enhance both the use of the building and its presentation, particularly to the street thereby being an enhancement of the conservation area and not detrimental to the heritage assets or their settings. No objection.

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