

H/25/99292– Barn Court, High Street, Bursledon, SO31 8DL.

Context.

Barn Court lies in the zone 7 character area of The Old Bursledon Conservation Area first designated in December 1982. The building is not listed but is highlighted in this document as being '*locally significant, making a positive contribution to the character of the zone.*' together with the remainder of the group and a couple of others in the zone.

Thought originally to have been a farmstead, this courtyard of buildings is dominated by Barn Court as the building with the most presence in the group, high enough to have been a barn, with all the other buildings slightly lower and more humble, forming the flanking arms of the hexagonal court, previously with a pond in the middle and including on the north-east corner the listed building of Lattice Cottage, formerly Hacketts Farmhouse one understands.

Parallel with and facing the High Street, with a row of seven high chimney stacks instigated by Mrs E Shaw Storey in the late 19th century or early 20th.and the floor level generally set about a metre above ground level with a pair of grand semi-circular steps leading up either side to an elevated entrance patio, Barn Court has a quite commanding presence over the court.

The Proposal.

Three new structures have been constructed near the double garage at the extreme east of the rear garden which is just south of the outbuilding in the rear garden of The Long Cottage. There is a lean-to store filling the gap between the garage and the boundary fence on its eastern side, a garden store to the south of this and a gardeners wc and wood store against the northern fence.

The design utilises quality materials entirely in keeping with the barn ethos and should not seriously hinder any southerly view from The Long Cottage as the lean-to roof is below the garage eaves height and the others only marginally above the fence height. The nature and quality of the structures will not cause harm to the setting of the nearest heritage asset, namely Lattice Cottage, and according to the evidence submitted will be a visual improvement, containing the clutter previously outside.

Conclusion.

From a conservation and architectural perspective this proposal is low profile, in keeping and does in fact tidy up this corner of the garden, so No Objection.

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