

HERITAGE STATEMENT

44 Tarrant Street, Arundel, BN18 9DN

Introduction:

44 Tarrant Street is a Grade II Listed period property town house, of 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms on 4 floors, within a terrace of similar aged and style of buildings in a popular street in the centre of Arundel.



Description:

44 Tarrant Street is built of red brick with nodular flint on north side. There is a pitched slate roof and rendered chimney with terracotta pots. There are 3 storeys and basement with area cellar storage behind. There is a brick modillion eaves cornice.

There are 2 double-hung sash windows with glazing bars on 1st and 2nd floors, 1 on the ground floor, and 1 casement with glazing bars in basement. There is a 6-panelled door (top 4 panels fielded) and semi-circular fanlight in panelled reveals.

The doorway is framed by plain pilasters supporting fluted frieze and broken triangular pediment.

There are iron railings with fleur-de-lys finials around the basement the subject of a separate listing.

Internally

Walls: The external and party walls are of masonry. The walls comprise, on the outer and party wall sections, chalk blocks finished at openings and junctions with brick quoins. There are then 2 no brick built chimney stacks connected into into the Western party wall structure. These walls are finished in a deteriorated plaster finish, some wallpaper (acting to hold it together in places) and then in the rear (North Elevation) hardboard on battens, again with some remaining wallpaper. Investigations have revealed the ingress of moisture through the walls at all levels, and the deterioration of the battens which are in places wet and rotten.

In the Lower ground Floor there is a Spine wall running East to West which forms the division of the principal rooms throughout the building vertically. On the Ground and Upper Floors this line is continued with similar walls but in structural timber studwork.

All ancient stud walls have an infill of reed covered in animal hair reinforced plaster. In almost all cases the plaster has no strength on the reed and studs and has considerable movement, again being held together in some areas by the wallpapers. Some areas have had laths fixed in as replacements to the defective reed. In the case of the Lower Ground Floor, rising damp has deteriorated the reed, the later laths and the studwork framing at floor level.

Chimney Stacks: The 2no stacks already referred to are brick built and corbel over to include 4 fireplaces to the south side and 2 to the north side. The external part of the stacks appear to be in good condition with fairly recent brick pointing and lead flashings. Close inspection has not yet been carried out.

Windows: The windows to the main part of the house are double hung sliding sash. They are in reasonable condition with only some minor overhauling and decorating required. There are some window boards and reveals in poor condition.

Doors: There are 3no external doors. The front door is panelled and in good condition, described elsewhere. There is a ledged and braced door to the rear elevation from the Lower Ground Floor. This is in poor condition but is able to be repaired. There is a modern glazed door with sidelight at the link between the Pantry and the Ground Floor Toilet.

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