

Replacement of Front Door – Grade II Listed Property

Site Address

38 Maltravers Street, Arundel, BN18 9BU

General description of works

I have been asked to inspect the existing front entrance door and offer my opinion with regards to either replacing or repairing the door.

Condition of Existing Door

The existing door is in very poor condition (see photos), the following being some of the obvious defects:

- Significant timber rot, particularly to lower sections and joints
- Evidence of multiple historic repairs using incompatible materials and methods
- Structural weakness affecting function and security
- Poor fit leading to draughts and water ingress
- Degraded surface finishes
- Obvious water ingress leading to flaking paint and exposing previous repairs

Justification for Replacement

In my opinion the door is beyond economic repair. Any repair would have no guarantee and would be likely to continue to need more remedial work over the coming years.

A replacement door can be made to match the existing door with mouldings, sizes and general feel.

Proposed Replacement

The proposed new door will:

- Be constructed from highly stable and durable Accoya (Accoya has a 40 year guarantee against rot and decay)
- Be manufactured to match exactly the original door
- Be finished in dual colour as existing
- Have existing or replacement furniture and hinges to match existing
- Manufacture details

Conclusion

In my opinion replacing the existing door is the only viable option and will offer no material difference to the look and feel of the very attractive period property.

I look forward to working with you on this project

Yours sincerely

Stephen Casebow
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