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13 Maltravers Street
Arundel
BN18 9AP

Your Ref:

Internet Ref: PP-08996541

Please ask for: Technical Support Unit
ext. 37711

Date: 25th August 2020

Dear Mr Davis,

Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (as amended)

Listed Building Consent for Alterations, Extension or Demolition of a Listed Building

Development: I am applying for permission to repoint the rear elevation of Duff House. Built in 1782, its rear elevation is exposed to the weather and over the years much of the pointing has become eroded and small cracks are beginning to appear. A few bricks have also eroded.

I will be carrying out the works with the help of one other. They are local and have worked in this conservation area for over forty years and are experienced in such works. For the sake of uniformity of finish to the pointing, a minimum amount of workers is required. In this case I shall be mixing the lime mortar while my colleague points.

We will be mainly raking out the loose mortar manually but in larger areas where safe, we will use a shallow angle grinder on the horizontal line. I am very aware of damage been caused by the clumsy use of angle grinders, when cutting out the mortar verticals, which lead to the blade biting into the neighbouring bricks, above and below.

There are a small number of original bricks that have eroded beyond repair. These we will attempt to remove whole and reverse if possible, a job I have managed on a friends property. If this is not possible then I have a collection of suitable replacement bricks that are like for like.

I am aware that mortar samples can be submitted for analysis at Winchester but the building has been thoroughly repointed during its life, certainly during the late Victorian period, as with their fondness for high ceilings, they lowered one of the ground floor rooms, into the cellar, and so creating a room with a ceiling hight of over thirteen feet. They moved its window in the process and then made good much of the pointing, including large areas not effected by their window works. The right lime mortar mix, that keeps the finished appearance, light and warm in colour would be true to the original appearance. Number 15, our neighbour's house, built the same decade as Duff House was repointed in recent years, and would be a

good president to aim for.

For the repointing we will be using a Non-hydraulic lime as it is the more permeable and can accommodate movement. To this we will be adding a fine grained sand and a small proportion of cement. (There is no extra additives to the present mortar, such as shell, broken brick, charcoal or flint.)

As there is no obvious design to the present pointing, I think that a shallow, almost flush, but weathered style of about 3mm would be appropriate as a finish and will also enable to keep the brick face clean.

I intend to be as sympathetic to the Duff House's evolution as possible and leave areas of the present pointing that are strong and sound alone, and also to those areas of random rendering that the Victorians carried out.

My parents moved here in 1955 and I have lived here since the late 1950s. The interior has all the original features, barring government reg. electrics and I would like to keep its exterior appearance as original as I can.

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Thank you for your application submitted via the internet on 22nd August 2020. It has been downloaded and will be checked for validity by the Technical Support Unit. It has been allocated the reference number **AB/94/20/L**.

Once your application has been checked we will contact you again.

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Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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