PLANNING DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT
THE DRILL HALL CASTLE GARDENS LONDON ROAD ARUNDEL

Introduction:
This application is being lodged on behalf of The Norfolk Estate for listed building consent. The application is deemed necessary as the drill hall is considered to be a curtilage building within the context of the listing of the Castle and its grounds.
The property forms part of the Norfolk Estate, and is currently occupied as four staff dwellings. *(General Policy 3)*

Layout:
The Drill Hall is a large two storey brick and stone building, located toward the South West boundary of the Castle grounds adjacent to the London Road entrance.
The building is a former military drill hall which has been converted into four two storey dwellings.
The roof is a trussed, with close boarding on purlins to which the cement fibre sheets are fixed.
The proposal relates to the removal of existing fibre cement roof sheeting and its replacement with a natural slate roof covering and new rainwater goods.
The cement fibre cladding to the gable ends is also to be removed, and replaced with vertical tiling
The roof will benefit from the installation of new thermal insulation measures to significantly improve the thermal performance of the dwellings.



The South East Elevation (Looking toward NW)



the North East Elevation (Looking toward SW)

The proposal will therefore improve the quality of life for the occupants, *(General Policy 1)*, in a way which is not intrusive into the landscape *(General policy 27)*, and will not adversely affect the sustainability of the property.
The proposal is sympathetic toward the existing architectural style, and at the same time will incorporate current techniques in energy conservation.
The new roof will have a significant impact, on the visual quality of the building, although it will be mostly visible from inside the park grounds.

Built Up Area Boundary
The site is outside of the built up area of Arundel, but is within the historic Arundel Castle grounds which extend from Arundel town northward into the South Downs.

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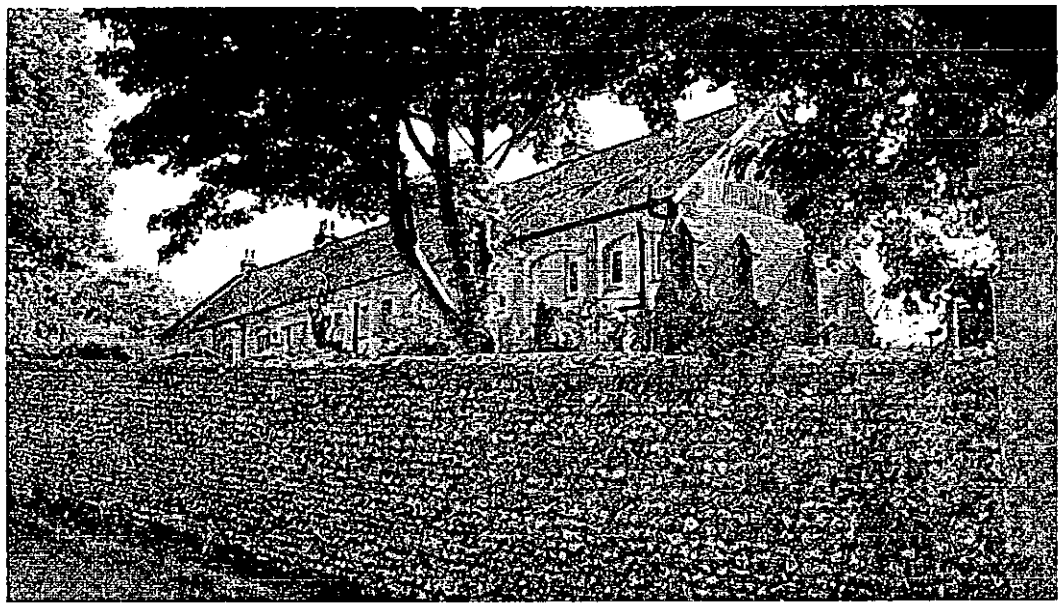

The North West Elevation (Looking toward SE)

Planning history:

The Drill Hall is not a listed building.
There is no current planning history connected with this building.
See the accompanying Heritage Statement for a brief historic background.

Scale:

The proposal does not relate to building scale and concerns replacement work only.

Landscaping:

There is no landscaping proposed in connection with the project.
There will no adverse affect on trees or planting *(General policy 28).*

Appearance:

The appearance of a natural slate roof covering and tiling to the gable ends, will represent a significant visual improvement upon the existing cement fibre sheeting and will add to a building of interest. *(General policy 22).*
The selection of materials will also address the quality objectives set out in *(General policy 7).*
Rainwater goods will be in keeping with the existing.
The new roof covering will be in keeping, will blend with its immediate setting, and will not detract from the existing building. *(General Policy 22)*

Access:

The proposal has no affect on accessibility, and does not relate to access issues.

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