

HERITAGE STATEMENT

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- 1- THE HERITAGE ASSET:
THE PROPERTY IS LISTED GRADE II AND IS IN A CONSERVATION AREA AND FACING A PROTECTED PARK, BUT THE PROPOSED WORKS WILL NOT AFFECT ANY HERITAGE ASSETS. THE STREET HAS A MIXTURE OF PROPERTY TYPES, MAINLY IN CHARACTER, BUT ALSO WITH 1970 STYLE, AND SOME WITH UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, (ESPECIALLY TO REAR), FRONT-FACING ROOF WINDOWS, AND SOME PROPERTIES IN DISREPAIR. I FEEL IT A DUTY AND AN HONOUR TO OWN SUCH A PROPERTY IN THIS LOCATION AND THINK SUCH PROPERTIES SHOULD BE MORE CONTROLLED WITH THEIR EXTERNAL APPEARANCE.
- 2- I HAVE RESEARCHED GENERAL LISTED AND HERITAGE INFORMATION. I HAVE OBTAINED PLANS FROM THE ORIGINAL BUILD LAYOUT AND 1970's CONVERSION, AND TOGETHER WITH THE PRESENTLY BADLY BOWED FLOORS, THE BUILDING COULD BE IN FURTHER DANGER OF RUIN IF THE MENTIONED HEAVY WALLS ARE NOT CHANGED TO LIGHTWEIGHT ALUMINIUM FRAMEWORK. WE PROPOSE TO CHANGE THE REAR WINDOWS TO THEIR ORIGINAL STYLE SASH, WHICH WERE REPLACED CHEAPLY & UNSIMPATHEMICALLY (1970's). REPLACING THE FRONT SASHED WINDOW IN POOR CONDITION WILL ONLY ENHANCE THE PROPERTY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.
- 3- WE HAVE CONSULTED WITH AND HAD A VISIT FROM MR MARTYN WHITE, A CONSERVATION OFFICER AT LITTLEHAMPTON OFFICES. HE WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH ALL OUR PROPOSALS, AND WHERE SOME PROPOSALS MAY NOT NORMALLY BE ACCEPTABLE IN A LISTED BUILDING, UNDER OUR CIRCUMSTANCES, AND PHYSICALLY FEELING AND SEEING THE BOWED FLOORS, AND WATER-DAMAGED CEILINGS, OUR PROPOSED CHANGES ARE OBVIOUS AND CRUCIAL, INCLUDING THE ROOF WINDOW .
- 4- OUR PROPOSALS WILL NOT ONLY ENHANCE THE BUILDING EXTERNALLY, BUT ALSO SECURE THE SAFETY AND STRUCTURE OF THE BUILDING INTERNALLY. OVER TIME, WE INTEND TO RETURN THE PROPERTY TO IT'S FULL CHARACTER.