



Heritage Statement: 6 Selborne Close, Littlehampton BN17 5NH

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The application site is located within the Littlehampton Seafront Conservation Area and features on historic maps of the area c. 1876.

Selborne Place features several large semi-detached properties that feature, amongst other details, elements of Gothic design and clay honeycomb walling that are considered to be important in the context of both the application site (no. 6) and wider conservation area.

Over time the properties in Selborne Place have been converted from large family houses into a variety of new uses more suited to modern day living: flats (no's 1, 2, 3 and 4), a restaurant (ground floor of no's 3 and 4), a children's nursery (no. 5) and a large house in multiple occupation (no. 6, the application site).

This application seeks permission to change the use of no. 6 Selborne Place into five new dwellings (flats). To help enable the conversion, three sensitively-designed ground floor single-storey extensions are proposed.

To facilitate the extensions, the demolition of a non-original and unattractive conservatory is also proposed. The conservatory is considered to be a negative contribution to both the property and conservation area. Its removal, therefore, is considered positive.



Existing rear elevation, including non-original conservatory

Whilst the original footprint of the building is proposed to change, this will only be noticeable at the rear of the building. The proposed front extension will not be a prominent addition due to its nature as an infill extension. Whilst the two proposed rear extensions are relatively more prominent, their location at the rear of the building preserves the existing street-scene and overall appearance of the conservation area.

The proposed extensions will be constructed with sympathetically appropriate materials where at practicable. The scale of the additions are relatively small and sympathetic to the existing building, whilst providing additional space to enable the creation of five new homes.

Whilst rooflights are proposed, they are either located on flat roofs or on the inner pitches of the proposed pitched roofs and therefore only visible from the upper floors of the adjoining building.

Overall, the cumulative effect of the proposed extensions and alterations to the property are considered to be positive to both the property and the wider conservation area.



Original clay honeycomb walling