

Heritage Statement

Heritage Asset and Its Setting

Number 5 River Rd is a Grade II listed semi detached Georgian house, built around 1850 and situated within the 'River Rd Conservation Area'.

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The construction is mainly flint and brick with a composite slate roof. The front face of the building and side wall is rendered with the front painted a light blue/green and is commiserate with the architecture of the age. There are sash windows throughout and stone steps to the front door, which are both key features in the building's English Heritage Grade II listing.

River Rd is a mainly a residential street and number 5 is one of a row of listed buildings of similar age and architecture, thus is very important in the overall image of the conservation area.

The listed buildings on this row are what is left of residential dwellings built for people working in the industries associated with the river. As a whole, they complement each other and make a historic focus for Littlehampton and leave a legacy of the river.

Design Concept and Proposed Development

There are no plans to alter the exterior of 5 River rd only to restore and repair the existing features using traditional materials. Where rendering is necessary, a traditional breathable lime mortar will be used.

(X) The interior will be restored to a single 2 bedroom dwelling from two 1 bedroom flats. Ceiling lath and plaster will be removed and replaced with plaster board and plaster. Some partition walls, put up when the house was converted in the 70's, will be removed. (please see proposed plans)

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Impact of the Proposed Development

The aim and aspirations are to enhance the characteristics and architectural features of 5 River Rd in keeping with the age of the building. Thus complementing the surrounding listed buildings and 'The River Rd Conservation Area'.

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The proposed use

Number 5 River rd is a semi detached property in the River Rd conservation area, part of a row of similar aged listed buildings originally built for the workers of river related industries in the 1850's. It was originally a single occupancy domestic dwelling and I wish to return it this state. At present there are two 1 bedroom flats arranged in the building and I propose to change it to a 2 bedroom house.

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The amount of development

There will be minimum amount of development as the main interior rooms will largely remain "as is". The 2 bedrooms will be on the first floor

Layout

Please refer to attached plans for my proposed layout. Access to the building will remain the same.

Scale

N/A

Landscaping

The garden is at present overgrown but will be returned to a suitable cottage style garden with areas for plants/flowers and vegetable growing.

Appearance

I will be working with Arun District Council conservation staff guidance to enhance the original features of the building commiserate with the "River rd Conservation Area" vernacular. Paying particular attention to exposed flint work, walls and windows.

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