

Attachment to Application for Approval of details reserved by condition

Arun District Council
Planning & Building Control

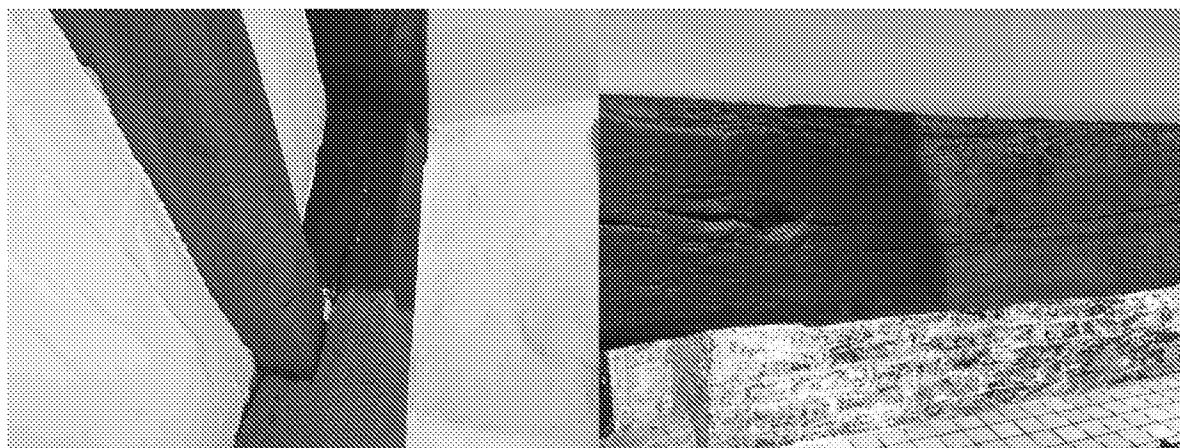
Details concerning the removal of paint from beams and bricks

Decision Notice ref. PO/5/20/L grants Listed building consent to clean & restore exposed timbers throughout property as well as brickwork within the fireplaces.

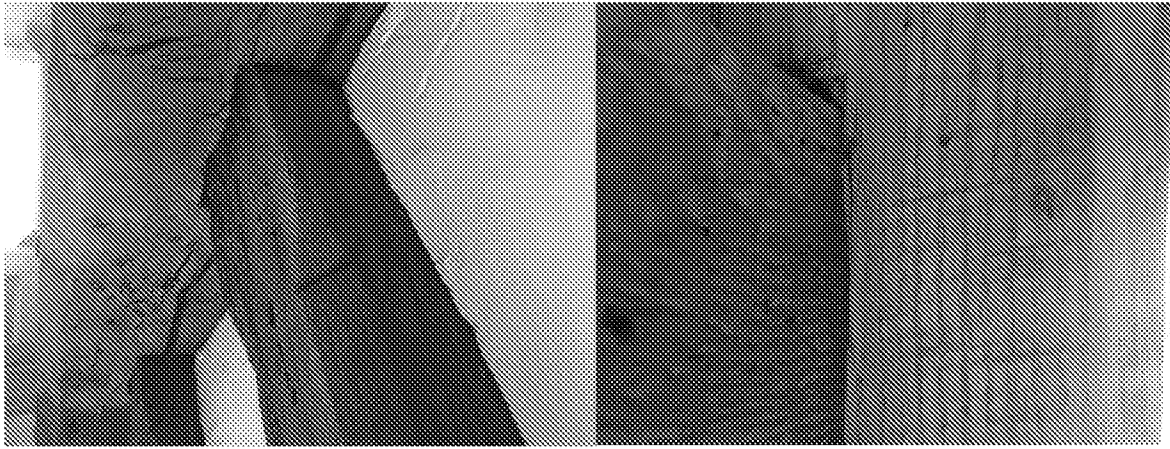
Condition 3 states "Before works to implement the permission hereby granted are commenced, details should be submitted and agreed with the Local Planning Authority concerning the removal of paint from beams and bricks. Those agreed details should be adhered to at all times."

It was agreed with the conservation officer that a sample be prepared so that he could view and understand the impact of the works on the historic fabric in the house, and approve the method proposed for the works. On the 10th June 2021 the conservation officer viewed the test samples on site and discussed the detail of the cleaning process with the contractor. He indicated that he was satisfied with the method and with the results.

The following photographs are those of the test samples produced by Sandpiper Restoration, using the process and techniques that will be used to complete the works, as viewed by the conservation officer, Martyn White.



Photos detailing result of cleaning process against uncleaned timbers.



Photos showing how cleaning has revealed grain, chamfers, saw marks and other detail of the timber



Photo detailing result of cleaning process against uncleaned brickwork.

Description of the cleaning process

This sample has been carefully and sympathetically undertaken so as not to harm the historic surfaces. The work has been undertaken by Sandpiper Restoration, specialists in beam restoration, using a sympathetic sand blasting technique. The technique used for the sample is exactly that which will be used to complete the works.

The technique removes surface debris, uncovering historic evidence. By adjusting grit size and pressure, historically significant detail such as carpenter's marks and saw marks are revealed without damaging them. There are many operators with abrasive blasting equipment who are dealing in the sand blasting industry. This method of working should be regarded separate from that which is required and proposed for this period property. This contractor uses a very fine sand and much lower pressures, always working at an angle that allows full vision and a delicate touch to achieve the desired effect. This is 'Sympathetic Sandblasting'.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr R. Cullum

