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DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT HERITAGE STATEMENT

Days, Days Lane, Fontwell, BN18 0TA

Introduction:

Days, formerly known as The Hermitage, is a house with outbuildings dating from early C19. The Listing is as follows:

Early C19. Two storeys. Two windows. Faced with Roman cement. Slate roof. Glazing bars intact. Later gabled porch. To the east is a contemporary section of lower elevation, one storey and one window. This is an obtusely-pointed window with Gothic glazing. The east front of this section has two such windows and is faced with flints.

Description:

The property comprises the principal house, modernized and with extensions, a former stable now in use as ancillary to the main house, a timber bungalow and a number of agricultural barns and stables, adjoining fields that total in all some 6 acres.

The timber bungalow mentioned is a separate unit of residential accommodation close to the curtilage of Days, and is known as Days Bungalow.

Days Bungalow:

The bungalow is of around 3no timber sections and additions, with timber floors on either a concrete slab or brick base and/or dwarf walls.

The walls are of timber stud framing, clad with featheredge and T&G weatherboard, lined with plasterboard internally. The floors are of timber boarding and the roof covered in slates and clay tiles.

It is unclear how the unit was extended but it appears to be of three units built in a shed-like construction with additions and modernisation, probably in the 1960's. There are modern windows in places and an early attempt at insulation.

At first inspection this building was unable to be occupied. There were leaks, damp, defective wiring and plumbing, doors missing and windows that wouldn't shut properly. Part of the floor is missing in the former kitchenette, there is no method of heating or cooking and no sanitaryware. The structure has been advised as generally unsound, and beyond economic repair to the applicant.

It is not clear when this obtained its use as a residential unit, but it is thought to have been used as a unit of holiday let accommodation some years ago.







Location:

Days Bungalow is located at the north side of the former walled garden and is probably actually outside the curtilage of the listed building.

The Proposal

The proposal is to demolish the building and clear the site. The building is unusable and in an unsafe condition as mentioned. The building is of no historic interest, and forms an eyesore to the proximity of the historic wall, the setting of the listed house generally and is unsafe.

Design

Amount: There is removal of a residential unit.

Layout: The area released will be able to be landscaped to match the existing surrounds of grass and bank.

Scale: N/A

Landscaping: N/A

Appearance: The removal of the bungalow will improve the appearance of the wall and setting of the listed building.

Access

The main access to the building remains unchanged .

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