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## HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION ADVICE

Dear Sir / Madam,

## RE: Second Floor Flat, 12 Fore Street, Hatfield, AL9 5AH

The application is for the removal of existing life expired County Council maintained and operated wall-mounted street lighting and associated fixings. Fitting new County Council maintained and operated wall-mounted heritage-style street lighting and associated fixings.

The property is located within the Old Hatfield Conservation Area and is also a Grade II\* listed building (list entry no. 1296264).

There is an existing streetlamp fixed to the building which is now redundant, as explained in the Design and Access Statement. The proposed replacement lamp is mounted on a bracket and has a traditional appearance. It is also proposed to install a feeder pillar to the base of the wall.

It is understood that the proposed replacement matches other streetlamps in the vicinity and its design is not intrusive. The proposed feeder pillar (to be coloured black) introduces an additional fixture to the elevation which is not ideal, but the replacement of the existing lamp perhaps also presents an opportunity to remove other redundant wiring and fixtures from this elevation.

As the proposed streetlamp replaces an existing one and is a reversible addition to the building, on balance there are no objections to the proposal. There is not considered to be any additional harm to the significance of the listed building or the Conservation Area. The proposal is considered to be compliant with section 16 of the NPPF and sections 16 and 72 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Yours sincerely

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Note: This letter is advisory and should only be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter



