



FAO: Planning Department,
Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council

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HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION ADVICE

Dear Sir / Madam,

RE: 16 Fore Street, Hatfield, AL9 5AH

The application is for the installation of a wall mounted street light including wall bracket, cabling and conduit on the front

The property is located within the Old Hatfield Conservation Area and is also a Grade II listed building, listed as The Garden House (list entry no. 1173320). The application documents also note the removal of an existing streetlamp fixed to no.18 Fore Street which is also a Grade II listed building along with the adjoining house at no.20 (list entry no. 1101009).

The removal of the existing streetlamp on no.18 is a positive change. The proposed replacement lamp is mounted on a bracket beside the first floor window of no.16 has a traditional appearance. It is also proposed to install a feeder pillar to the base of the wall and a conduit running between the lamp and pillar. The design of the proposed streetlamp matches the proposed replacement lighting at other properties along Fore Street (subject to separate applications) and the consistent approach to the upgraded streetlighting is of benefit to the preservation of the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

Overall, the proposed design is not intrusive and is sympathetic to the traditional character of the streetscene. The proposed feeder pillar (to be coloured black) introduces an additional modern fixture to the front elevation, which is not ideal, but the proposed black colour will blend with the black painted plinth and its visual impact will be minimised. The streetlamp is also a reversible addition to the building.

There are no objections to the proposal as there is not considered to be harm caused 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(2) and 72(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Yours sincerely



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