

Examination of the Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan

Response from South Cambridgeshire District Council to the Examiner's Further Questions sent on 24 October 2019

This document provides South Cambridgeshire District Council's response to question 2 for the District Council on the Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan raised by the Examiner, Bob Yuille, in his letter sent on 24 October 2019.

Question 2 - I would be grateful if the District Council would confirm whether or not they are content that the structures identified in Policy HIM02 (as proposed to be modified in the SOCG) as non-designated assets are indeed worthy of this?

Response:

Both 9 and 10 Church Street which are included in the list of Interesting Buildings are already listed buildings and therefore there has been discussion about the curtilage status of the slaughter house and the forge.

The advice from our conservation team is as follows:

The forge and the slaughterhouse both appear to be within the grounds of listed buildings, and pre-date 1948, but were the buildings within the grounds at the time of listing? This is likely but unknown. Most importantly, is there an ancillary relationship between the domestic listed buildings and the forge/slaughter house? Given the potential for argument we do not see the harm in including the buildings on the list of 'interesting buildings'. The significance of curtilage listed structures varies and identifying these structures in this list would only be helpful.

Therefore, South Cambridgeshire District Council can confirm that the following structures are worthy of inclusion on the list of Interesting Buildings.

- 9 Church Street, Victorian slaughter house
- 10 Church Street, Bell Cottage and former blacksmith forge.

The list of Interesting Buildings also included 25 High Street, Wall of the garden of Gables.

The advice from our conservation team on the status of this wall is as follows:

The wall at 25 High Street is contiguous with the building and forms part of the listed structure and the boundary to a listed structure. There is no room for doubt over the designated status of the wall. Listed Building Consent and Planning Permission are certainly required for its demolition or relevant alterations. I recommend that the information in the evidence base attached is instead uploaded to the NHLE entry for The Gables.

(<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1178566#contributions-banner>).

Therefore, South Cambridgeshire District Council does not consider that the wall of 25 High Street needs to be included in the list of Interesting Buildings.