HERITAGE STATEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF SOLAR PANNELS TO THE ROOF OF THE MOTOR BARN



AT THE PRIORY HOUSE EDINGTON, WILTSHIRE BA13 4QR

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GENERAL

1.1 This Statement is submitted in support of a Listed Building application for the provision of solar panels to the roof of the motor barn.

1.2 The building is set within the curtilage of the grade I listed Priory House towards the monastery boundary wall. Between it and the main house a stone-built swimming pool enclosure was erected in 2013.

THE SITE AND ITS CONTEXT.

2.1 Edington comprises two small settlements five miles east of Westbury and six miles from Trowbridge. Tinhead the second settlement is located east of Edington. Priory farm is located within the main village of Edington to the North of Priory Church.

2.2 The Priory Farm comprises three designated areas, the residential curtilage around the house confirmed by planning consent W/11/01226/FUL, the park land which includes the fish pond and the agricultural land. Over and above those there is a strip of woodland between the agricultural land and the Station Yard industrial site.

2.3 Listed Grade I The Priory is a Late Medieval detached house possibly incorporating some parts of monastic buildings. It is thought to be the east wing of a much larger house demolished by Joshua Smith in 1768. Within the present east end of the property the west end of the Grade I listed Monastery garden wall is encapsulated.

2.4 Historically the Priory house and grounds were owned by and were part of a monastery, after the dissolution several buildings were demolished leaving the Priory Church and Priory House together with the monastic garden wall. Later several large farm buildings were erected adjacent to the Priory House.

2.5 Within the listing text it is made clear that the property went through several stages of alteration from the time it was originally rebuilt by Sir William Paulet in about 1600. Alterations in C17, C18 and 1930's are mentioned along with the C20 (1960's) extension.

2.6 The swimming pool building referred to above was approved under W/11/00363/FUL and W/12/00364/LBC. It stands between the main house and the Motor barn effectively screening view of the latter.

DESIGN

3.1 In 2011 a retrospective listed building application W/11/01227/LBC was granted for the cladding of the motor barn with oak boarding. This improved the setting of the listed building and enhanced the existing building.

3.2 The roof of the building has a gentle slope to the east away from the swimming pool and main house. Provision of the solar panels on the roof will not create a significant visual intrusion.

3.3 The panels will however make a significant addition to the energy provision for the estate.

PHOTOS



THE MOTOR BARN EAST FRONT



THE MOTOR BARN ROOF AS EXISTING