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Design and Access Statement & Heritage Statement

Proposed Alteration to internal door openings at Showell Farm, Showell, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2NU

This design and access statement sets out the supporting information and design principals from which this proposal has been formulated.

This should be viewed in conjunction with the associated plans submitted and Historic Building Report prepared by Wiltshire Building Records.

Brief description of proposal

The proposal involves a single alteration to Showell Farm, the proposal builds upon a previous consent received in 2022.

Background

1.1 The application site is known as Showell Farm, located in Showell on the outskirts of Chippenham.

1.2 The property is a residential dwelling.

1.3 The property is grade II listed. Wiltshire Building Records have prepared a historic building report (here- on in called HBR), which details the history and evolution of the building, which should be read in conjunction with this statement and as such this statement need not go into further detail of the history of the building.

Proposal

2.1 Subsequent to a range of alterations undertaken with a previous LBC, the application seeks listed building consent for a single alteration to the building, which will be detailed in this section.

2.2 <u>Alterations:-</u>

2.2.1 Removal of a small 350mm section of wall between 2 doorways thereby opening up a living space between the kitchen and dining room. Since undertaking removal of stud walling under previous LBC, this obvious further alteration has become apparent. This will require the insertion of a Rolled Steel Joist (RSJ).

2.3 The proposed works will improve the appearance of the building whilst maintaining and preserving the most important historical elements of the building. The proposed changes will be sympathetic and respect the buildings unique history and evolution, whilst allowing the building to adapt to more modern family living, this will help ensure the buildings longevity and continual upkeep and maintenance, preserving the building for generations to come.

2.4 The proposed changes to the building are shown on plans submitted.

Use & layout

3.1 The existing and proposed layout of the building can be seen on plans submitted. This subtle room change and alterations to create a family home fit for modern living whilst retaining the buildings unique historic character.

3.2 The proposals will not affect any neighbors properties ensuring neighbouring resident's amenities will be preserved.

Access & Parking

4.1 The proposal will not alter access arrangements to the application site, nor will it alter parking arrangements.

4.2 The site will retain parking provision to the front of the property, within the shared courtyard arrangement with the surrounding properties.

Scale

5.1 The proposed works will ensure no change in height to the building.

Landscaping

6.1 The proposed works will ensure no change in landscaping.

Appearance

7.1 The proposal will allow for the removal of the existing rotted timbers above both doorways. A single Rolled Steel Joist will span the whole opening and will be lime plastered.