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January 2026

Heritage Statement and Existing Joinery Condition
Listed Building Consent Application – No 31 Herd Street, Marlborough, SN8 1DG
Replacement of the existing front door

1. Introduction

This Listed Building Application seeks consent to replace the existing front door of No 31 Herd Street.

2. Description, Location and Historical Context

Herd Street runs parallel to Kingsbury Street south to north from the town centre. Originally Kingsbury Street was the principal route into the town from the north. Unsurprisingly, Herd Street is believed to be the original route for moving cattle to and from the common situated on the northern side of the town. These days Herd Street is the final part of the main route into Marlborough from the M4 to the north.

On the eastern side of Herd Street, No 31 is part of a group of four two-storey houses. This group of four Listed Buildings is comprised of No's 30 to 33. Whilst fairly modest, these are reasonable sized houses with good ceiling heights, well-proportioned rooms and clear wide passageways. All four houses have been with the same ownership for a good period of time. Whilst in common ownership all four properties were subject to the same maintenance regime.

No 31 is a two-storey house built in the early 19th Century. It has a red brick façade to the front with a traditional clay pantile roof covering. There are two sliding sash windows on the first floor each sash having eight panes. The ground floor has a similar sliding sash window. All windows are set with arched head apertures.

The front door opens directly onto the wide elevated Herd St pavement. The door frame is mounted within an arched headed aperture. The frame includes a four-panel fixed fanlight.

3. Historic Background

Official list entry

Heritage Category:

Listed Building

Grade:

II

List Entry Number:

1034242

Date first listed:

21-Oct-1974

List Entry Name:

30-33 Herd Street

Statutory Address 1:

30-33, HERD STREET



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Location

Statutory Address:

30-33, HERD STREET

The building or site itself may lie within the boundary of more than one authority.

District:

Wiltshire (Unitary Authority)

Parish:

Marlborough

National Grid Reference:

SU1892969432

Details

HERD STREET (East Side)

1. 5407

SU 1869 1/86

Nos 30 to 33 (consec)

GV II

2.

Early C19 ranged small cottages. 2 storey. Red brick. Flat eaves and slate roof. Tall chimneys. Each has 2 windows on 1st floor and 4 flush panel door with 4 pane rectangular fanlight on ground floor. Nos 26 to 33 (consec) form a group.

Listing NGR: SU1892969432

4. Previous Planning History

Ref	Date	Item	Decision
K/54430/LBC	July 2006	Replacement front door	Approved

5. Historic England Advice – Listed Buildings

The policy espoused by Historic England for the upkeep of Listed Buildings has a three-tier structure.

- A. Maintain – look after the building and its original fixtures and fittings by a programme of maintenance using appropriate techniques and materials.
- B. Repair – where parts of the building have not been maintained to a satisfactory level repair the substandard areas using appropriate techniques and materials.
- C. Replace – if an element of the building is beyond repair replace with a faithful facsimile of the original.

Please see condition notes and descriptions on the following pages.

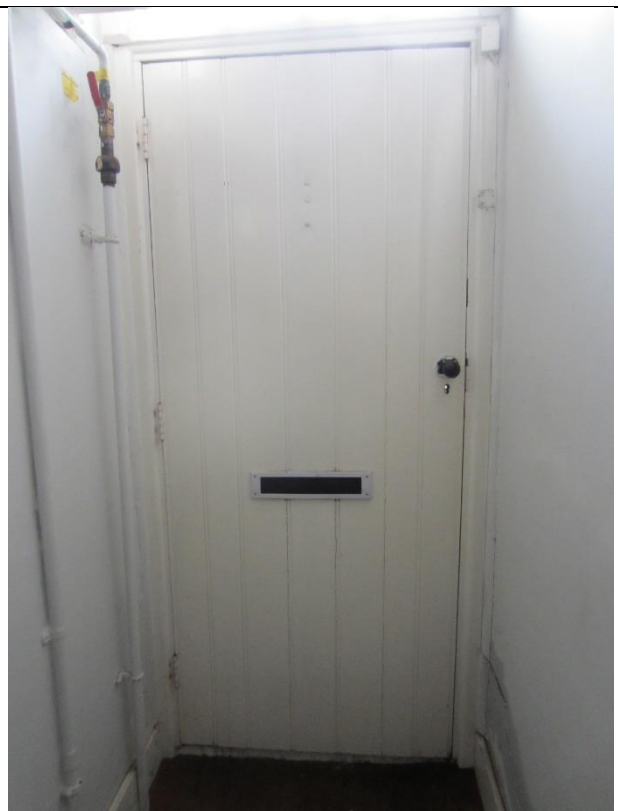
6. Existing Joinery – Current Description and Condition

Ref: Door D1	Location: Front elevation, ground floor, hallway
Approx Sizes: Width: 800 mm x Height: 1980 mm – door leaf Width: 920 mm x Height: 2300 mm – door frame including fanlight	
Description: Joinery. The door is constructed from softwood. It consists of two tongue-and-grooved leaves, approx. 22mm, fixed to one another to create an overall thickness of 44mm approx. There is no framed border to the leaf itself. This type of door construction is more commonly seen in sheds and outbuildings. This door does not match the description of the front door contained within the Historic England listing. Furniture and fixings. Modern copies of black older pattern handles and fittings. Finishes Door leaf – painted Celtic Blue on the exterior, White inside. Frame – painted white	
Condition Notes: The front door was replaced 20 years ago – as was the front door at No 33. This replacement was undertaken under previous ownership. Whilst there is a weather bar the perimeter protection of door timbers is not as good as that provided by a conventionally framed external door leaf. The lack of frame and perimeter weathering have resulted in the door leaf deteriorating to the point being non-serviceable and requiring replacement. The door frame is also in a poor dilapidated condition and will need to be replaced.	
	
D1 Exterior	D1 Exterior

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D1 Exterior



D1 Interior

The proposed replacement door will be a faithful copy of the profiles and dimensions of the existing joinery. The proposal seeks to change the material used from softwood to hardwood in order improve both the functionality and longevity of the external joinery. The proposal will maintain the historical significance of the property. Impact upon the front elevation's contribution to the Conservation Area street scene is minimal. Harm to the fabric of the building is insubstantial.

If further information is required – please get in touch.

Kind regards,

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