Eton

Conservation Area Advisory Committee

Advice from Eton Conservation Area Advisory Committee: 27.05.2022

Re: 2018/1391/P - 24 Steele's Road, Road - Alterations to front boundary including construction of new pillar; extension of boundary wall; re-surfacing of staircase and front drive in paving stone and removal of trees (RETROSPECTIVE)

The work that has been carried out at the front of 24 Steele's Road was unauthorised. We commented at the time (15 March 2018) when enforcement action was taken, reference EN17/1274. Our concerns related to the removal of two trees and the creation of a bare car park space. At that time we were notified that a retrospective planning application would be made with this reference (2018/1391/P). This has finally emerged.

The frontage is now more starkly bare than it was before - relieved only by a single climbing plant covering the low wall at the side of the steps to no. 23. But the frontage of no.23, like that of its neighbour, has also been dug out in order to provide private parking. Side by side, the two of them do damage to the original landscaped street frontage of the terrace.

As the work in question was unauthorised, we would like to see an enforceable requirement to replace the two felled trees with appropriate species, or some equally compensatory form of landscaping.

Yours sincerely,

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