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Dear Sir/Madam

## Roof renewal at 8 Ferncroft Avenue

Thank you for your letter dated 23 February 2012.

Like for like repairs to a listed building do not normally require Listed Building Consent. Provided that the proposed tiles match the original tiles in terms of their size, colour and texture, an application to the Council would not be required. However, although the roof as a whole may need re-laying it is likely that a fair proportion of the original tiles will be capable of salvage and re-use. It is essential that as much original fabric as possible is re-used – original tiles could be laid to prominent slopes with new tiles to the side and rear elevations.

With regard to the re-pointing, could you confirm the extent of the works? Would this include all the building's external elevations? The brickwork is likely to have been originally pointed with a lime based mortar and this should be replicated, along with the original pointing style, so as to avoid any damage to the brickwork in the future. Please could you confirm the mortar mix that your contractor would intend to use?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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