

Statement of Heritage Significance & Impact

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Introduction

This statement supports the Conservation Area Consent Application for the installation of 4 no. rising bollards.

Context and use

Sarum Chase at 23 West Heath Road is a private family residence and the building is listed as a Grade II building set in the Readington Frognall Conservation Area in Hampstead. Over the years the building has had planning permission granted for an extension and alterations to the property and garden to create a family home.

Design

This application seeks permission of the installation of 4 no. 'Vigilo 2281' rising bollards in front of the entrance and exit gates. These gates are set back within the curtilage of the property and are intended to increase security and protection for the family.

The proposed works will be carried out in a sensitive method appropriate to the significance of the property and in light of the statutory protection placed on the building.

Heritage Assets

The proposed bollards will have minimal impact on the wider street context because their design is discrete in appearance and therefore sensitive to the heritage asset beyond. We aim to 'enhanc(e) the significance of (the) heritage assets and put them to viable uses consistence with their conservation' (NPPF, 2012).

Conclusion

Our proposals aim to allow additional security for the protection of the family when the house is converted back into its original use as a single dwelling, as outlined above and illustrated in our enclosed drawings. It is our hope that our proposals are appropriate in terms of scale, appearance, materiality and methodology. We believe the alterations proposed will be sensitive to the period, style and detailing of the original building and the proposals will not harm the significance of the heritage asset.

Furthermore, we believe that the proposed alterations are discrete and therefore in sympathy with the listing of the building beyond and respect the architectural quality of the Readington Frognall Conservation Area. As such, we hope our proposals will enhance the character of the property and ask that a recommendation for Conservation Area consent be granted.