

Comments for Planning Application 18/00940/LBC

Application Summary

Application Number: 18/00940/LBC

Address: Bathurst House 86 Micklegate York YO1 6LQ

Proposal: Internal and external alterations including demolition of existing single storey rear extension, installation of glazed link, two storey rear extension, removal of internal walls and internal and external repair works in association with change of use from office to dwelling

Case Officer: Rachel Tyas

Customer Details

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Comment Details

Commenter Type: Consultee response

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: The Planning Committee of York Civic Trust considered this application at its casework sub-committee meeting on 16th May 2018. Consequently, the Trust wishes to make a comment in support of this proposal.

Bathurst House is located in the Central Historic Core Conservation Area, Character Area 21: Micklegate. The property is of high significance as an example of early 18th century architecture and is a positive contributor to the Conservation Area.

The Trust is supportive of the proposal to return Bathurst House to residential use and is pleased to see good conservation approaches mentioned in the supporting documents. However, there are two aspects of the proposal which we feel require general comment.

Firstly, the proposed removal of brickwork to form an open fireplace in the room GF15, shown on the drawing 019BHY/301 Basement and Ground Floor Plans - As Proposed. As identified in the supporting heritage statement, this brickwork is early 18th century and, while the feature has previously been altered (to form a cupboard), further evaluation of significance should be made prior to any removal of historic fabric.

Secondly, the application proposes the reinstatement of a blocked window opening on the gable end of the 18th century service wing with a timber framed sash, on which the Trust wishes to comment. It would be advisable that a skilled contractor should be sought for this aspect of the work to ensure the constructed window is of high quality and sympathetic to the historic nature of the property.

Overall, York Civic Trust is happy to support the return of Bathurst House to residential use which will ensure continued care for the building and ensure its long-term sustainability.