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WORTHING SOCIETY CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Thank you for requesting our comments in respect of the following Planning Applications which have been considered by our Heritage Team. Here are our responses:

AWDM/0298/26 - 6 Warwick Street: We consider this is much better than the previous proposal. However, the more slender proportions of the aluminium sash windows do make an important contribution to the character of the building. Perhaps consideration could be given to replacing with more modern, powder-coated aluminium windows?

AWDM/0622/26 - Ice Rink: The Society has no objection to the temporary installation of the ice rink over the winter period. However, we do suggest that if approval is granted, a 'condition' should be attached to ensure the grass will be properly re-seeded or turfed as soon as possible after the ice rink is removed each year. The ice rink will be sited in Steyne Gardens which is a significant feature in the Steyne Gardens Conservation Area and the town centre.

AWDM/0580/26 - 40 Crescent Road (Footprints Family Centre) - Retrospective Planning Applications: The Heritage Team considers that, on balance, the conservation area will not be adversely affected and the temporary structure is shaded. However, the host building is a late Victorian villa and we consider that the introduction of any further stores, sheds or similar in the outside area would detract from the 'setting'.

AWDM/0577/26 - 9 Warwick Road: This is a Grade II Listed Building and is part of a listed terrace, circa 1803, which is situated in the Steyne Gardens Conservation Area. There is no objection to the new basement window, although timber materials will be required in view of the building's listed status.

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However, the Society objected previously to the internal alterations and permission was refused. The present application is now to retain the wall to the right of the front door, separating the entrance hall from the front room, but remove the section towards the rear. This would still result in a rather 'odd' layout with a wall that appears truncated and would not define the room. In our view the original configuration and layout contributes to the historical integrity of a Listed Building and, wherever possible, this should be retained.

We are unable to view the building internally so respectfully suggest that the advice and guidance of the Conservation Officer and Heritage consultees will be necessary here. The applicant still needs to be aware of the fragile nature of the building. We have noted that the Orangery has been approved under AWDM/0117/26.

AWDM/0494/26 - 81 Manor Road: Section 211 Notice under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to reduce radial spread to north by up to 2.5 metres, three Bay trees T1 T2 & T3 in the Heene Conservation Area – **No objection.**

In summary I hope these comments are helpful.

Yours sincerely

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