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Subject: Comments for Planning Application AWDM/0657/24

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11/07/2024 10:51 AM from Dr Alison Edwards.

Application Summary

Address:	Flat 2 3 Bedford Row Worthing West Sussex BN11 3DR
Proposal:	Application for Listed Building Consent for Internal insulation of external walls
Case Officer:	Jackie Fox

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Customer Details

Name:	Dr Alison Edwards
Address:	COUNCIL FOR BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY, De Grey House, St Leonard's Place, YORK YO1 7HE

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Requested to Speak in Contributor Letter
Stance:	Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other
Comments:	Thank you for notifying the Council for British Archaeology (CBA) of this application. We offer the following comments to assist your local authority in making a determination. Significance Bedford Row is an early nineteenth-century terrace, with characteristic stucco frontage, sash windows and fanlights over

the front doors. Number 3 features a curved bay window to the front elevation. The building has evidential, historical and architectural value in its legible age, surviving historic fabric, and contribution to our understanding of the development of the area. It makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the South Street Conservation Area.

Comments

The CBA note that Flat 2 has undergone internal alterations which have resulted in the loss of much of the interior historic character of the building. We welcome the proposal to retain the existing historic wood panelling underneath the windows.

We do not object to the principle of internal insulation to improve the energy efficiency of the flat. However, we are concerned that the proposed Celotex insulation is polyisocyanurate (PIR), which is moisture impermeable. For buildings constructed before 1918, breathability is crucial to prevent the build up of moisture within the historic fabric, which leads to long term issues with damp and potential deterioration of the fabric. Further information can be found in this SPAB advice note: https://www.spab.org.uk/sites/default/files/Control_of_Dampness_0.pdf

We recommend that an alternative form of breathable insulation is used which is suitable for historic buildings. Due to the potential for long-term harm to the building, we do not consider that the proposals meet the requirements of paras. 205 or 206 of the NPPF.

Recommendation

The CBA recommend that alternative plans are submitted which proposed the use of a breathable alternative insulation. If altered plans are not provided, we recommend that this application be refused.

I trust these comments are useful to you; please keep the CBA informed of any developments with this case.

Kind Regards,
Dr Alison Edwards
Listed Buildings Caseworker

The Council for British Archaeology (CBA) is the national amenity society concerned with protection of the archaeological interest in heritage assets. Local planning authorities have a duty to notify the CBA of applications for listed building consent involving partial or total demolition, under the procedures set out in, 'Arrangements for handling heritage applications - notification To Historic England

and National Amenity Societies and the Secretary of state (England)' direction 2021.

Kind regards