

DESIGN STATEMENT



Project: Replacement of Front Elevation Windows

Address: Forge Cottage - Egton - Whitby

History: The main building consists of a single storey, stone and pantiled structure. Notable features include the stone corbelled gutter supports and the intricate carved stone finials to the gable ends. These are typical features that the masons employed for the Foster estate immediately before the First World War. Later additions to the building include a small side extension and front porch. These were probably added when it was converted to a dwelling.

There are three window openings to the front elevation of the main structure. These vary in size and are assumed to have been altered from the original, perhaps during the conversion.

On the extension a ribbon window, broken by a glazed door, runs across the elevation.

Proposals: The application relates to the replacement of all the windows and door to the extension on the front elevation

All the windows and the door are to remain the same size as the existing. However the left hand window [south end] is to be lowered with its window head matching that of the adjacent window. The timber lintel will be refixed and if necessary, a galvanised lintel will be inserted behind. This will be unseen. The window will be split into three sections.

The design of the windows will be simple side hung casements which will be painted. This takes into account the Planning Inspector's report, 'Appeal by Mrs Anne Oddy' ref:APP/W9500/A/09/2110942/WF, dated 8 January 2010 which states that 'replacing the smaller panes with a single pane, would be more in keeping with the original character and style of this building'.

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