

Heritage Statement & Flood Risk Assessment

Location No. 1 The Square, Akeld, Wooler, Northumberland. NE71 6TA

Applicant Mr. & Mrs. T. Astles. No. 1 The Square, Akeld, Wooler, Northumberland.
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<u>Dwg/Enclosures</u>	property as existing	20/460/01 scale 1:50
	property as proposed	20/460/02 scale 1:50
	proposed garage/store	20/460/03 scale 1:50
	site levelling survey	20/460/04 scale 1:500
	proposed site plan	20/460/05 scale 1:200
	site/location plan	20/460/06 scale 1:1250
	outbuilding as existing	20/460/07 scale 1:50
	existing& proposed roof plan	20/460/08 scale 1:50
	Ecology report	
	photographs	

Listing Text

NT 92 NE AKELD

8/5 Akeld Cottages Nos. 1-9 (consecutive)

GV II

Farm cottages. Probably 1892. Random rubble with tooled and margined ashlar dressings. Welsh slate roof and brick chimneys.

4 ranges of single storey cottages round a central courtyard. Carriage entry in centre of north range with 6 bays to left and 5 bays to right. East and west ranges 6 bays. South range 11 bays. Doors are boarded (except one late C20 door) and have overlights. 12 pane sash windows in alternating-block surrounds. North range has gabled roof, south range hipped roof. Many square corniced ridge stacks.

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The Square at Akeld, forms part of a grouping of cottages, originally built by Matthew Culley in 1795 and is understood to have been restored in 1892. This date is seen on a Centenary stone on the gable wall of cottage No. 2.

This grouping of cottages, including the property in question, No. 1, is situated adjacent to the A697, approximately four miles north of Wooler. The property consists of 2 no. bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bathroom and is Grade II Listed.

It is the Applicants wish to improve the existing property by replacing the existing timber sliding sash windows in exactly the same style of Heritage windows and incorporating a Pilkington Spacia (trade literature enclosed) 6.4mm double glazed panels. The inclusion of 2 no. Conservation roof windows to the lean-to roof above the kitchen will allow for more natural light to enter the room and the removal of the north gable window and replace with new external door, allows for the applicant to access the courtyard and also provides further means of escape in the event of fire.

The proposed garage, which is accessed from a side door and main garage doors not only allows for vehicles to be kept off the proposed Grasscrete drive and turning areas, but provides security for both vehicles and garden equipment. The inclusion of a render finish, allows for the building to match the finish of that which is being demolished and by cutting the building back into the earth to the rear, gives the impression of the ridge height being lower than it actually is. To the rear is a proposed timber greenhouse which looks on to what will become a vegetable garden and meadow. The existing land currently consists of overgrown grasses, but it is Mr. & Mrs. Astles wish for this land to be utilised and used for years to come.

Sitting within Flood Zone 3, the proposed garage/store poses no extra risk to the flood zone in question, as no person will be living in the new structure and floor level will be the same as the existing property. To house vehicles, garden equipment etc, no persons will be occupying the structure, therefore risk to human life is not applicable.

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