From: To:

Subject: RE: Garden House 20NP0037LBC

Date: 22 December 2020 18:42:08

Attachments: Letter from Nigel Aiken to NNPA 18 Dec 2020 - Re 20NP0073LBC - Garden Room, Holystone Grange.pdf

Hi Colin.

With reference to the comments received form the Historic Buildings Advisor in your email of 14th December 2020, unfortunately, we do not have any photographic evidence to show the frieze that was present prior to the urgent roof repair works in 2019, but the applicant and owner of Holystone Grange, Mr Nigel Aiken, has provided the attached letter giving his comments on this matter.

Our submitted Heritage Statement sought to challenge the accuracy of the section of the 1986 Listing, List Entry Number 1371424, stating 'Interior of dome has C.19 Baroque plaster frieze'.

The Garden Room was constructed at Holystone Grange in 1933 using various materials bought at auction on the demolition of Haggerston Castle and not the demolition and reconstruction of an entire Garden Room building as it stands today. Furthermore, it would not have been physically possible to demolish/remove in one piece a 19th Century, 2.5m diameter plaster frieze and re-erect it in a new building. The frieze which was in situ at Holystone Grange at the time of the urgent roof repair works was (as confirmed by Mr Aiken) a type of plastic and attached to a plasterboard upstand. Given that plasterboard was not used until post World War 2, it is likely that the building had undergone post WW2 restoration works prior to being purchased by Mr Aiken and a form of plastic decorative frieze was added then.

I trust that provision of the this additional information will explain and provide the required evidence to satisfy the Historic Buildings Advisor that the frieze that was in situ at the Garden Room at the time of the urgent repair works in 2019 was a form of plastic and not a 19th Century plaster frieze as referred to in the 1986 Listing.

Kind regards,

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From: Colin Godfrey

Sent: 14 December 2020 16:32

To: Darren Whitfield

Subject: Garden House 20NP0037LBC

Dear Darren,

I refer to the above application.

As discussed, I have now received informal comments back from the Historic Buildings Advisor.

The Advisor has noted that the additional information does not provide photographic evidence of what was present internally in the way of the frieze. She has noted the comments that 'The frieze which was in situ at Holystone Grange was plastic/polystyrene and attached to a plasterboard ceiling upstand' and has requested that that evidence of this is provided. She has also asked for confirmation as to who made the assessment, where the frieze is now and whether there are any photos of it. As discussed, I consider that any additional information / evidence / photographs you are able to supply to address these points would be beneficial to your clients application.

I look forward to your response in due course.

Thanks,

Colin

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