

Application for Financial Assistance (Historic Buildings Grants) from the Conservation and Heritage Fund

Station House, Baldwins Gate (Ref: 16/17004/HBG)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Working Party indicate its views on proposals going to the Planning Committee that:-

£1,924, for sash window repairs at Station House, Baldwins Gate, subject to the appropriate standard conditions

Purpose of report

To inform the Working Party of an application for financial assistance towards the cost of the sash window repairs to this house which is a Grade II Listed Building and give the Working Party an opportunity to express its views on that application.

Station House is a Grade II Listed Building within the centre of Baldwins Gate. It is an early 19th house, roughcast rendered with a hipped roof and wide projecting eaves. Sash windows exist throughout.

In most cases the windows are in need of an overhaul and mostly are painted shut. The owner has received two competitive quotations and the windows have been assessed by competent and recognised joinery companies. Each window has been individually assessed and is being repaired where necessary; some sections replaced and overhauled to ensure the windows are functioning correctly.

The total cost of the works is estimated at £ 9,620 including VAT. The works are eligible for grant up to 20% of the total cost because the building is a Listed Building. The Conservation Officer is satisfied that the contractor is a qualified joiner who can replicate the mouldings on the windows and successfully repair these historic windows and fully supports the grant application.

The views of the Conservation Advisory Working Party will be reported to the Planning Committee.

Financial Implications

There is sufficient funding to meet this grant application with £33,000 in the Fund allowing for commitments.