PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP FEBRUARY 2016

REPORT TO WALBERSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

"Walberswick" Planning Application

To construct a dual pitched roof over an existing single pitched open bay outbuilding. Remove the existing corrugated asbestos sheets which form the existing single pitch roof and construct a dual pitched roof over the open bay to match the pantiled dual pitched roofs at either side. - The Stables The Street Walberswick Suffolk IP18 6UH

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This application concerns a curtilage-listed building in a prominent position in the village, among an assemblage of barns and 18th century outbuildings. Because of this it warrants careful consideration. Unfortunately the only information showing the proposal towards the Street is a photograph with a rudimentary indication of the intention, which makes such consideration difficult.

The SCDC Conservation Area Appraisal (Supplementary Planning Document) December 2013 singles out this 'important group of historically interesting and aesthetically pleasing buildings'. It also states that the red brick-ended gable of The Stables 'provides some verticality' to this area. However, it is clear that this proposal to lengthen one of the roofs will in fact increase the horizontal character of the group and detract from the existing picturesqueness of this attractive collection of buildings.

In the opinion of the Planning Advisory Group, the quality of the proposal does not meet the objectives of the SCDC's Conservation Area Appraisal.