
Site Address:	St John The Baptist Church, London Road, Purbrook, Waterloooville		
Proposal:	Replacement and amendment to the existing path to the graveyard to the west of the church.		
Application No:	APP/13/00705	Expiry Date:	11/11/2013
Applicant:	Mr Jeffrey St John's PCC	Team:	Team 1
Agent:	Mr Forshaw Daniel Forshaw Architects	Case Officer:	Rachael McMurray
Ward:	Purbrook		

Recommendation: **GRANT PERMISSION**

1 Site Description

The application site relates to St Johns Church on London Road in Purbrook. The Church is Grade II listed and is situated within the St Johns Conservation Area. The Church can be accessed from London Road through a Lych Gate and Marrelswood Gardens which lies to the west. The graveyard mainly extends to the south and east of the church.

2 Planning History

None relevant

3 Proposal

The proposal is for a part replacement and amendment to the existing path which extends through the graveyard to the west of the church. The existing path has started to subside in places and requires maintenance. An existing section of path would be removed and the gradient of the replacement path would be eased so that the steps could be removed. The path would be constructed in 2m long bays set flush with the grass edge. The cast concrete path will have a washed shingle tamped into the surface to match the finish of the path at the front of the church.

4 Policy Considerations

National Policies

National Planning Policy Framework 2012

Core Strategies 2011 forming part of the HBLDF

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| CS11 | (Protecting and Enhancing the Special Environment and Heritage of Havant Borough) |
| CS16 | (High Quality Design) |

Listed Building Grade: II

Conservation Area: St Johns

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Havant Area Disability Access Group:

The slope of the path should be no greater than 1 in 40 or preferably less. This would provide adequate drainage whilst providing safe access for those in wheelchairs, elderly people or those with mobility problems.

The applicant will be advised of these comments in a planning informative.

Conservation Officer:

This is a well thought out proposal and will improve access without any detrimental impact on the buildings setting.

6 Community Involvement

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice for Publicity of Planning Applications approved at minute 207/6/92 (as amended), as a result of which the following publicity was undertaken:

Number of neighbour notification letters sent: 11

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: 04/10/2013

Number of representations received: None

7 Planning Considerations

- 7.1 Having regard to the relevant policies of the development plan it is considered that the main issues arising from this application are:

(i) Effect of the proposed works on the listed building

- 7.2 The Council's Conservation Officer has been consulted and has advised that the proposed works to the path and the replacement path are well thought out and would not harm the historical integrity and character of the listed church.

8 Conclusion

The application is considered to be acceptable and is recommended for approval.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT PERMISSION** for application APP/13/00705 subject to the following conditions:

- 1 The works to which this Listed Building Consent relates must be begun within

a period of 3 years beginning with the date of which this consent is granted.

Reason: To comply with Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

Heritage, Design and Access Statement - July 2013

Block plan - DNo - P1

Location Plan - DNo. - P2

Proposed layout - DNo. - P3

Reason: - To ensure provision of a satisfactory development.