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PVCu windows in Guernsey Protected Buildings – last three years

Request:

How many listed buildings have received planning permission to replace some of their existing windows with windows with frames made from materials other than wood in the last three years?

Response:

In the last three years, planning permission has been granted to nine planning applications to replace existing windows within a Protected Building with windows with frames made from materials other than wood.

These applications were as follows:-

1. FULL/2016/0964 – approved 5/12/2016

In this case, the proposal was for the replacement of one PVCu and six softwood windows with PVCu windows. This was in the rear annex of Midhurst, St Peter Port. The planning application report noted that the rear extension and the annex were modern (although forming part of the listing) and of no architectural or historic interest.

2. FULL/2017/0544 – approved 4/4/2017

In this case, the approved works at Les Adams, St Pierre du Bois, included replacement of a window within a garage/store in PVCu. The planning application report noted that the proposed replacement window, although of PVCu which would not normally be considered appropriate, would match those installed throughout the converted barn (these works undertaken before the building was protected). Therefore it was not considered that substantial harm would be caused to the special interest of the building, a conclusion

reinforced by the fact that the window to be replaced was of no particular architectural or historic value, and was not located in a prominent position on the building.

3. FULL/2017/1330 – approved 5/7/2017

In this case, the proposal included replacement of windows and doors to a rear extension to 19 Le Truchot, St Peter Port. This part of the protected building was of low value and the effect on the special interest was slight.

4. FULL/2018/0302 – approved 10/4/2018

This application, for L'Hyvreuse Lodge in St Peter Port, included replacement of PVCu doors and windows in the rear elevation in the same material. When the condition of the structures to be replaced, along with their value was taken into consideration, the effect on the overall special interest was acceptable and the development did not have an adverse effect.

5. FULL/2018/0896 – approved 18/6/2018

In this case, the application related to replacement of the timber and PVCu windows and door in a single-storey flat roof extension at the rear of the dwelling, Les Clospains, Vale, with PVCu windows and doors. Although part of the listing, the extension was clearly not contemporary to the house and the windows and door installed in the extension were already varied in their materials.

6. FULL/2018/1079 – approved 24/7/2018

This application, for Flat 1, 5 Union Street in St Peter Port, included replacement of two doors and a window at the rear of the property. The window and door removed were of low value and the impact of the development was negligible.

7. FULL/2018/1332 – approved 20/7/2018

In this case, the proposal was to install replacement windows and door on a rear extension to 4 Les Blanches Pierres, St Martin. The existing rear extension was a modern addition to the property; the extension and its fenestration were not considered to contribute to the special interest of the protected building. The proposal to replace the existing aluminium windows and timber door with PVCu alternatives was not considered to have a negative effect on the special interest of the protected building.

8. FULL/2019/0562 – approved 1/5/2019

In this case, the proposal included alterations to fenestration on the rear elevation of Sura House, in St Peter Port. The proposed works affected an area of the building that was of low

value. As a result, the changes had no adverse effect on the special interest of the protected building.

9. FULL/2019/0704 – approved 29/5/2019

This application, for L'Hivernage, St Sampson, was to replace windows on the front (east) elevation. It was proposed to replace existing PVCu windows with new PVCu windows. This change was not considered to have a negative effect on the special interest of the building.

Information relating to these applications and the decisions made can be found online at:

http://planningexplorer.gov.gg/portal/servlets/ApplicationSearchServlet