



Bath Heritage Watchdog

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APPLICATION NUMBER: 17/03161/LBA

ADDRESS: Pig & Fiddle, 2 Saracen Street

PROPOSAL: Erection of a stone wall to form bin store and alterations to the beer garden

CASE OFFICER: Laura Batham

DATE: 20 July 2017

COMMENT: OBJECTION

Bath Heritage Watchdog objects to this application in its current format.

There is no objection to a wall being erected to close in the unsightly bin storage area, however we do not favour the proposed block wall with render. The current rendered areas to this building are dirty and tatty and serve as an example of how such materials degrade and become an eyesore. In the position proposed it is also likely to become a magnet to graffiti. We would suggest that a rubble wall of Bath Stone is constructed. This will enhance the street scene, will match the rubble walls of the building and be less of an attraction for graffiti.

Whilst we have reservations about the extent of the proposed seating area, and the impact of noise on the locality, it is recognised that the current area is poor. However, we would also suggest that the area is also bordered by a rubble wall rather than planters which become very tatty very quickly and are more likely to attract vandalism. There is no reason why some troughs could not be fixed to the top for planting to soften the area.

We would also request if works are permitted that the current rendered walls to the building are cleaned and repaired.