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Hi Joanne,

I have looked over the proposals for the conversion of this building. This building is not a designated asset, nor does it have any other heritage protection, despite frequent referral to the building being a heritage asset within the planning statement. It is of substantial age but has seen several alterations in the past, most notably the roof material and removal of the large chimney. In principle, I am supportive of the reuse of this building given it is in a deteriorating condition. The reuse would look to restore external fabric and return to an appropriate condition. The application does lack detail of internal works, specifically the preservation of internal features such as the fireplace, paving slabs and staircase. It is not clear how these elements will be treated within the conversion. The chimney has been removed in the past and will not be restored into the new scheme which I think is a shame. The internal insulation and ventilation types would also be an important element to this conversion given the solid stone construction, but this is something that is not noted.

I do query the scale and positioning of the proposed barn. The elevation facing the road wouldn't be overly interesting, and it would block visuals of the more aesthetically pleasing building on the site.

As stated, I would like to see this building restored and I would support a reuse, however there are some elements to the proposals that need to be clearer and possibly amended.

Kind regards,

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