



REPORT FROM: PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING SERVICES MANAGER

TO: WEST CRAVEN AREA COMMITTEE

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York Street School Building, Barnoldswick

PURPOSE OF REPORT

As requested by the Committee with regard to the possibility of adding the site to the Problem Buildings list.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) To note the report and agree the actions for the site set out in the report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) Members are kept informed of any action taken on problem buildings.

Recently Approved Planning History

17/0203/FUL - Full: Major: Conversion of former (D1) school to 11 apartments (C3) and parking - Approved with Conditions – July 2017.

Issues

The site is a former Victorian school building located within the centre of Barnoldswick with a recent proposal approved to convert into 11 apartments.

Following approval in July 2017 works to the building have taken place including removing the floors and partition walls leaving the shell and roof intact. No further works to the site appear to have been completed internally and no contractors were present at the time of the site visit.

The site is currently open to access. A number of windows have been smashed and window boards removed allowing access to the building.

Apart from the access points and the fact the building is clearly under refurbishment, this site is predominantly tidy with no loose building materials seen in the yard areas. Some building waste was seen inside of the building however this has no effect on the visual quality of the area.

The Agent for the original application has been contacted to enquire about the proposed works to the site. A verbal update will be given to Committee outlining a response.

Recommendation

It is recommended that no further action is taken on the site at this stage given the site's general tidiness. The application has been recently approved within the past 12 months and works to the building have commenced within a reasonable timeframe.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None

Financial: None

Legal: None arising directly from the report.

Risk Management: None arising directly from the report.

Health and Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Sustainability: None arising directly from the report.

Community Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Equality and Diversity: None arising directly from the report.

