

REPORT FROM: PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING

SERVICES MANAGER

TO: WEST CRAVEN COMMITTEE

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Brook Shed, New Road, Earby

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.

ISSUES

The site is Brook Shed Mill with associated engine house and chimney which lies within the settlement boundary of Earby and the Earby Conservation Area,

Certain elements of the site such as the chimney, engine shed, air raid shelters and stone walls are attractive features which should be retained.

There is a long history to this site with previous applications/discussions for residential development not materializing and concerns over the condition of the site. The site was previously on the problem building list for West Craven in 2010 and 2018 with no activity on the site in recently.

The site has been visited and it was noted that the engine shed is in need of some disrepair particularly the glazed elements in the roof structure.

Given that the site has been vacant for a number of years the condition of the site is not unreasonable and apart from a general tidy up of the site and replacement of glazing in some of the rooflights the overall condition of the engine shed, chimney and stone walls is acceptable. It would be prudent to assist in getting the site redevelopment in order to prevent any increase in decline and avoid future disrepair.

Details of the owner have been obtained and contact will be made to establish the current situation and offer assistance in bringing the building back into an appropriate use.

It is recommended that this site is added onto the Problem Building Report to ensure the site is improved and an optimum future use of the site sought.











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.