

Heritage Statement

30 Huddersfield Road, Barnsley, S75 1DL

17th February 2022

Background

This statement is prepared to be read alongside a retrospective 'householder planning & demolition in a conservation area' application, to demolish an existing wall and create a parking area for the applicant's house.

There is little or no on-street parking in this location and with valuable cars, work vans and equipment it is crucial that a nearby and securable parking option is available.

Planning & Site History

Planning history is minimal with no known recent applications or issues on the site, with the site located in the Huddersfield Road Conservation Area – see Appendix 1.

However the applicant has been subject to enforcement action due to the works being undertaken without the necessary approvals. This was an unfortunate situation brought about by a lack of understanding, and this application seeks to formalise works that have already been undertaken and avoid any further enforcement action.

It should be noted that many houses near to the application site have similar arrangements (walls removed and car parking directly off the main road) and examples of these are shown in Appendix 3.

A similar approval was granted for 14 Huddersfield Road a few years ago, application ref. 2014/0657

Design

The layout is simple with a large single car space available to allow for internal turning, with the existing wall and gate posts altered to allow access – see Appendix 2 for photographs.

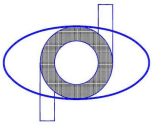
Whilst it is important that the integrity of the conservation area is maintained, given modern living standards and the large number of nearby similar instances where this has been allowed it is hoped that the this balance can be allowed in favour of the car parking arrangement.

In terms of highway safety, following a survey of the site, sight lines of 2.4m x 82m and 2.4m x 54m can be achieved from the parking area which is well within minimum requirements.

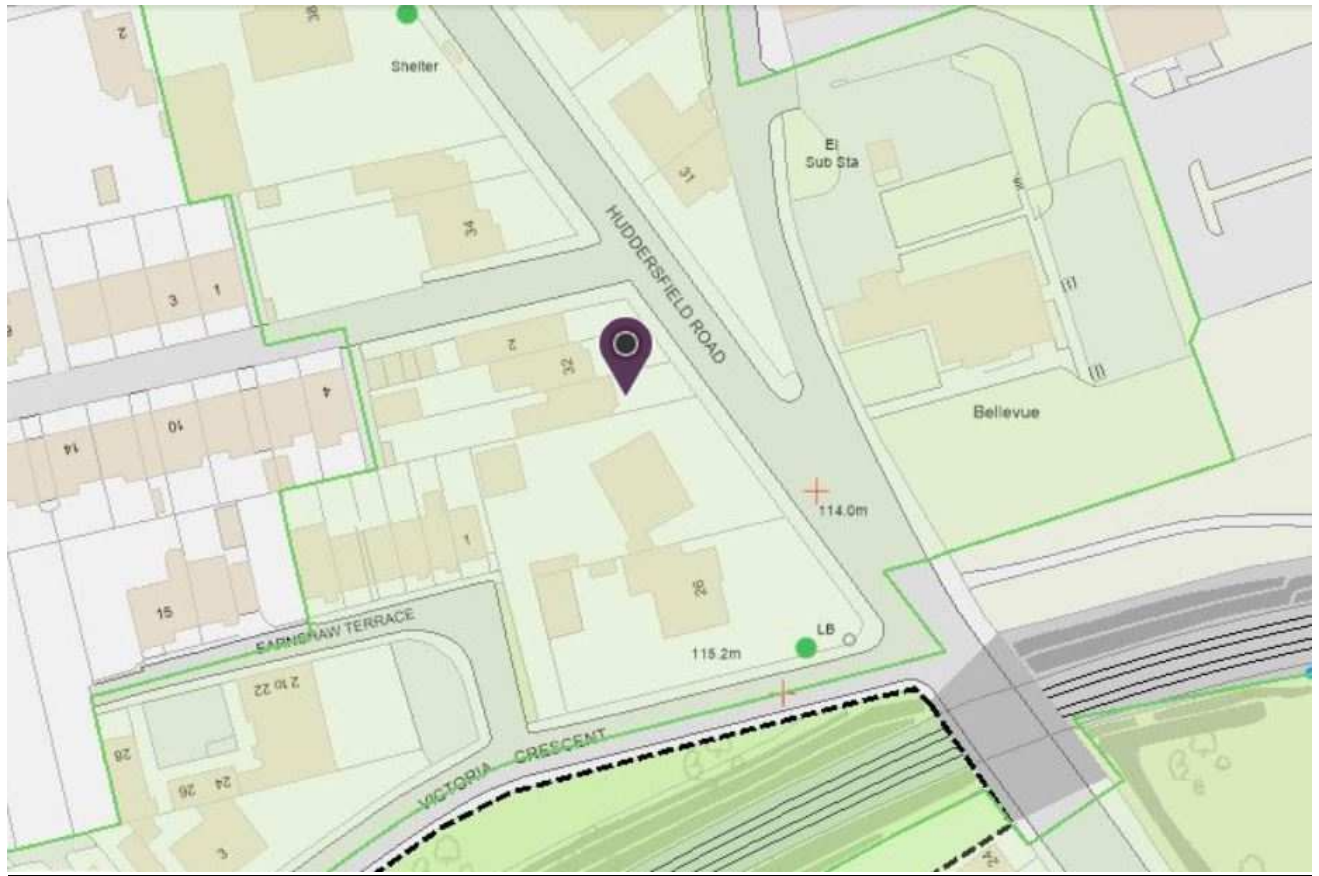
There is a pedestrian crossing with dropped kerbs directly outside the application site but it is hoped that this can be moved away from the drive to a safer distance.

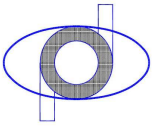
Conclusion

Due to the relatively small scale nature of the proposals and whilst maintaining the original local materials in keeping with similar properties in the conservation area, we would maintain that the impact on the conservation area is minimal and that the application can be passed accordingly.



Appendix 1 – Huddersfield Road Conservation Area





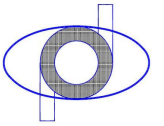
Appendix 2 – site photographs

View of application site - 30 Huddersfield Road



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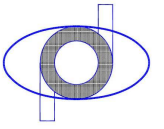
Appendix 3 – similar examples on Huddersfield Road

20 Huddersfield Road – Conservation Area with parking directly off Huddersfield Road



22 & 24 Huddersfield Road – Conservation Area with parking directly off Huddersfield Road





36 Huddersfield Road – Conservation Area with parking and garage directly off Huddersfield Road



44 Huddersfield Road – Conservation Area with parking directly off Huddersfield Road

