

HERITAGE STATEMENT FOR:

**162A Castle Hill
Reading
Berks RG1 7RP**

Location and description of the building.

The site lies inside a conservation area and within a terrace of three storey and basement Grade II listed buildings. Built prior to 1853 the dwellings form a fine symmetrical terrace set well back from the road with good sized front and rear gardens. The site sits on Castle Hill a character area and is lined with some of the earliest surviving domestic buildings in Reading and built when Castle Hill was the major route west from London to Bath.

Proposal

The proposal is for an internal en-suite to be added to the existing fourth floor bedroom and is submitted on behalf of Mr D Couldwell.

Construction Requirements

As the works are relatively minor and involves the building of two partitions only, no intrusive or substantial works are proposed which will detrimentally effect this historic important building. There are no alterations to skirting's, walls or ceilings as a result of this work and the new waste drainage will be connected to the existing system via the floor zone and out to the existing S&VP.

It is intended to build the new partition with studwork and skim and the door will match existing in all respects. An extract fan will mounted on the shower and this will be connected externally to a new conservation slate tile vent in the roof. All these measure are subject to Building Control involvement and comments and will be handled as sensitively as possible and with the minimum amount of disruption to the fabric of the flat.