

Heritage Impact Assessment

15 York Street - Access Gates



View from private yard area

Introduction

This Heritage Impact Assessment is in support of the listed building consent application for a proposed new access gate to the frontage of 15 York Street, Clitheroe. The proposal consists of the reinstatement of an access gates to the cartway entrance that fronts York Street between number 15 and 17. The existing cartway entrance is situated at ground floor level of the Grade II listed terrace and leads to a shared courtyard to the rear of the properties.

The terrace to which the properties belong was probably built in the early 19th century with, single-storey outriggers to the rear of the terrace, that to number 15 was extended by the early 1930s, and again in the late 20th century. There is clear evidence of the previous existence of gates to the cart opening, photos are included later in this statement.

The original gates would have been manufactured in wrought iron, unfortunately searches for photographic evidence of the style of the gates has not been fruitful.



Existing Site

The cart opening is typical of a simple late Georgian design, the stone surrounds are simple with little decorative detail.

It is clear that the previous gates, in particular the lower fixing plate, has been adapted over the years, with a large additional plate unsympathetically fitted, presumably as a repair.

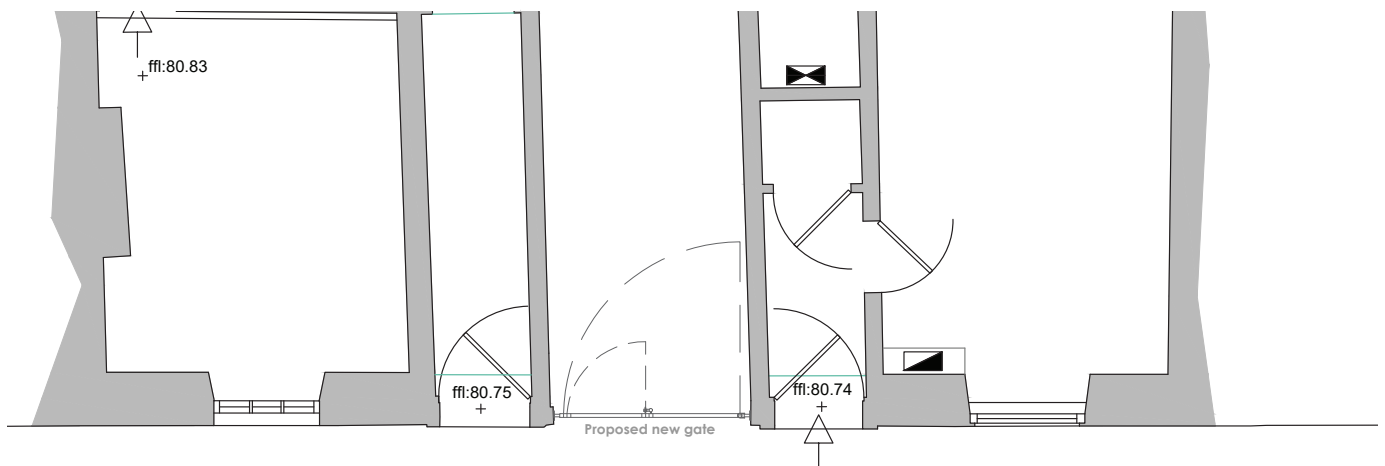
The upper bracket is potentially original and can be categorised as a simple and rudimental design.



Design

The proposed new gate has been designed by North Valley Forge, a local manufacturer of wrought iron gates and components. North Valley Forge are experienced in manufacturing and replicating traditional architectural wrought iron goods and are considered to have an expert knowledge in this field.

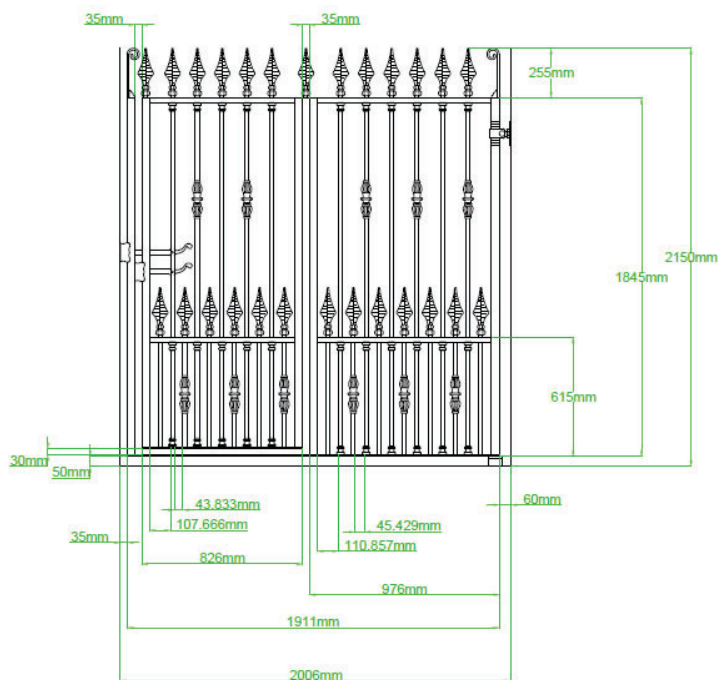
The design consist of an access gate that fills the cart opening with an 'in-board' personnel gate. The design is simple and in-keeping with late geprgian design.



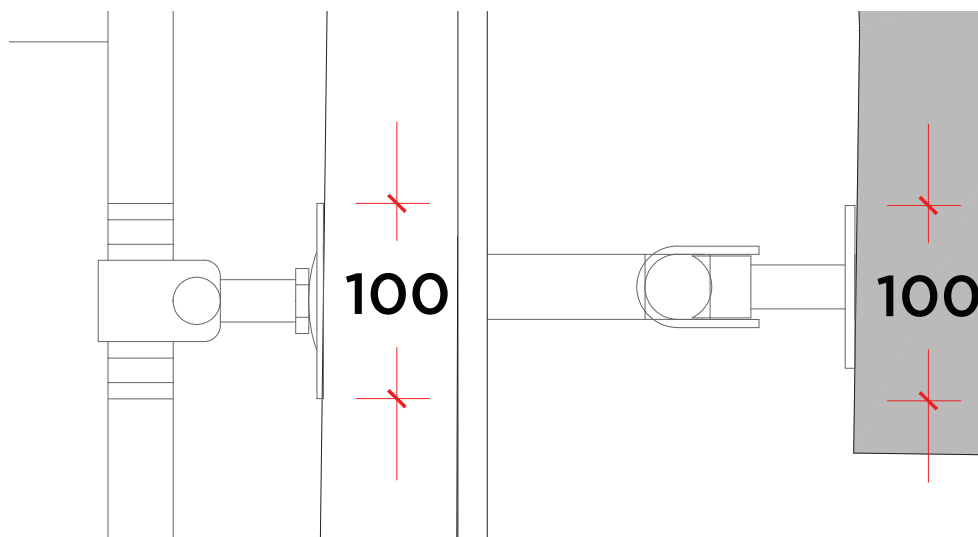
Design

The proposed design is simple and typical of the late Georgian style. The gates will be manufactured in wrought iron (as opposed to cast iron or steel) ensuring the in-keeping with the property. A spearhead detail is proposed for the railing heads, which was commonly used in both the Georgian and Victorian eras.

The proposed bracket detail that connects to the historic fabric simple and discreet. In the absence of historic photographic evidence of the style of the original gates it is considered that the proposed design is sympathetic to the style of the terrace.



Railhead
Option 1



Conclusion

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Unfortunately the original gates have been removed and lost, the proposals discussed in this report aim to reinstate the gates to the historic terrace in a style and method of manufacture as close to the assumed original design as possible. In restoring the cart entrance gates it is considered that the design will have a positive impact on the listed building.