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Application for listed building consent for alterations, extension or demolition of a listed building.

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1. Applicant Name and Address

Title:

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes as incorrect completion will delay the processing of your application.

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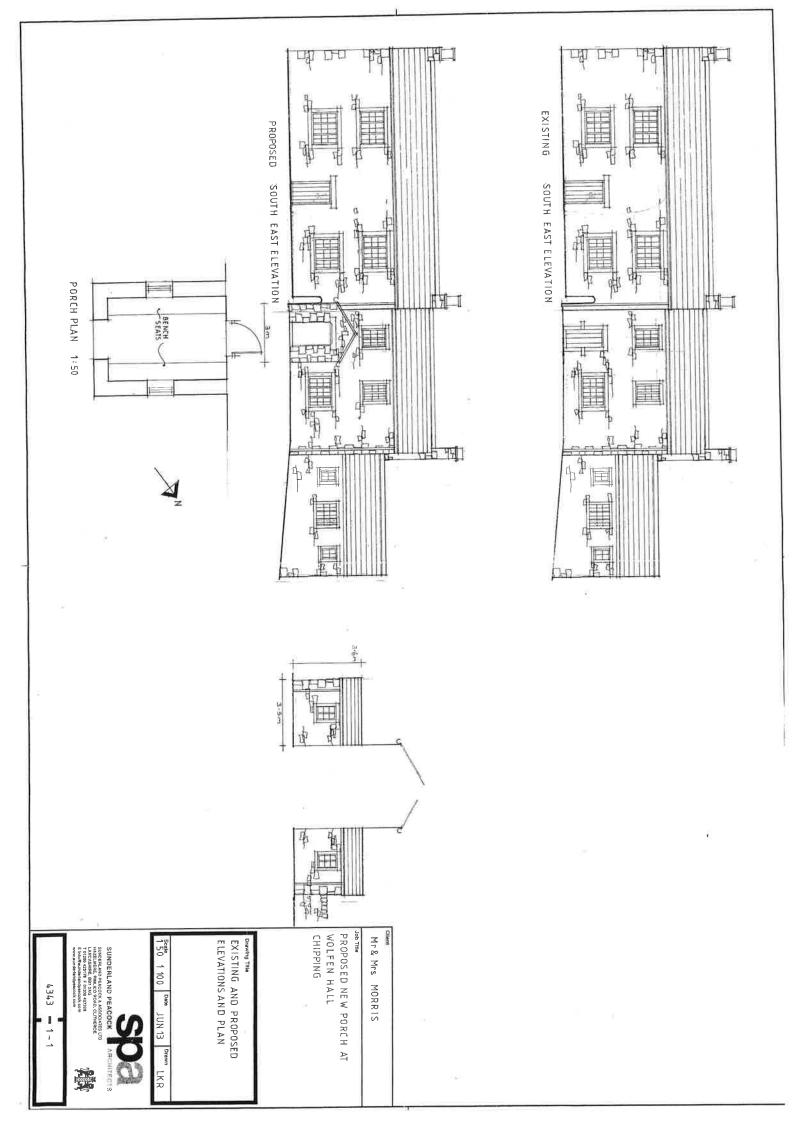
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a) Total demolition of the listed building: Yes No	(you must answer each of the questions)
b) Demolition of a building within the curtilage of the listed building:  Yes No	a) Works to the interior of the building? Yes No
c) Demolition of a part of the listed building: Yes No	b) Works to the exterior of the building? Yes No
If the answer to c) is Yes:	c) Works to any structure or object fixed to the property (or buildings within
i) What is the total volume of the listed building?(cubic metres)	its curtilage) internally or externally? Yes No
ii) What is the volume of the part to be demolished?(cubic metres)	d) Stripping out of any internal wall, celling or floor finishes (e.g. plaster, floorboards)? Yes No
iii) What was the (approximate) date of the erection of the part to be removed? (MM/YYYY) (date must be pre-application submission)  Please provide a brief description of the building or part of the building you are proposing to demolish:	If the answer to any of these questions is Yes, please provide plans, drawings, photographs sufficient to identify the location, extent and character of the items to be removed, and the proposal for their replacement, including any new means of structural support and state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s):
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one box must be ticked)	Yes No Don't know
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## RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Town and Country Planning Act 1990

## REFUSAL OF LISTED BUILDING CONSENT

APPLICATION NO:

3/2013/0578

**DECISION DATE: DATE RECEIVED:**  09 August 2013

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**APPLICANT:** 

Mr & Mrs L Morris

Chipping Preston

Lancs

Wolfen Hall

AGENT:

Sunderland Peacock & Associates Ltd

Hazelmere Pimlico Road Clitheroe Lancs

**BB7 2AG** 

PARTICULARS OF

New porch to front elevation.

PROPOSED WORKS:

AT: Wolfen Hall Chipping Preston Lancashire

Ribble Valley Borough Council hereby give notice that Listed Building Consent has been refused for the execution of the works referred to above for the following reasons(s):

1 The proposal has an unduly harmful impact upon the character (including setting) and significance of the listed building because of the porch's incongruity and dominance in the formal and symmetric front elevation, the prominence given to a secondary element of the facade and the obscuring of important historic features.

## Note(s)

1 For rights of appeal in respect of any reason(s) attached to the decision see the attached notes.

> The Local Planning Authority operates a pre-planning application advice service which applicants are encouraged to use. Whether or not this was used, the Local Planning Authority has endeavoured to work proactively and positively to resolve issues and considered the imposition of appropriate conditions and amendments to the application to deliver a sustainable form of development.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES



## HERITAGE STATEMENT AND DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

**WOLFEN HALL, CHIPPING** 

**LISTED STATUS GRADE II** 

For Mr and Mrs Morris

June 2013

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## EXISTING SITE AND KNOWN HISTORY

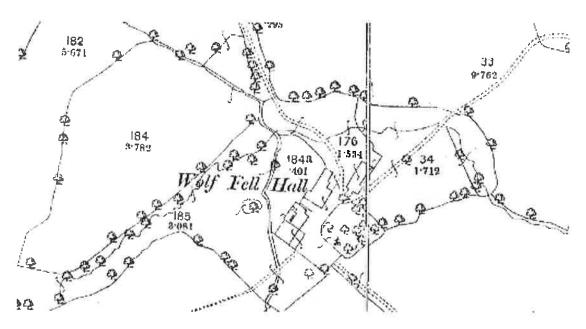
Wolfen Hall is located approximately 2km North West of the village of Chipping. The house is the main residence serving the Wolfen Hall Estate. The house occupies a central and private position within the heart of the 860 acre estate, Wolfen Hall dates back to possibly the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

Wolfen Hall is listed under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990; the property is grade II listed. The list entry reads as follows:-

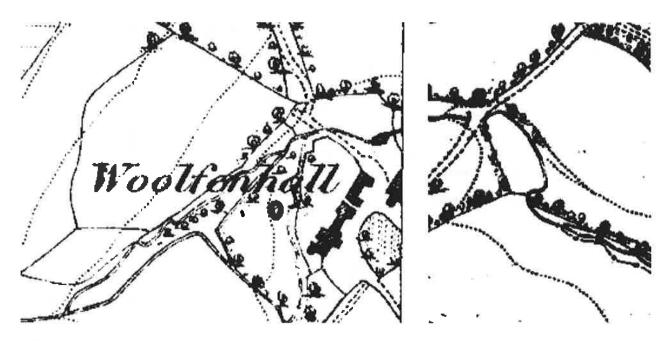
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OS First Edition 1:2,500 scale from circa 1853 - 1896, showing Wolfen Hall or "Wolf Fell Hall"



OS First Edition 1:10,000 scale from circa 1843 - 1848, showing Wolfen Hall or "Woolfen Hall"

## **PROPOSAL**

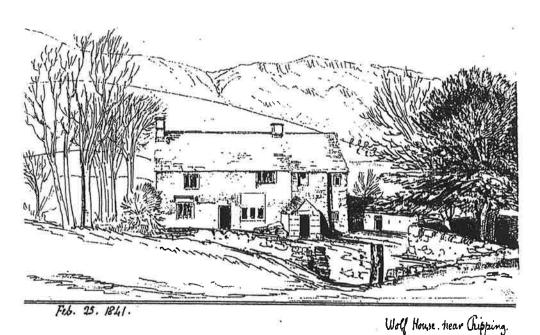
The proposal involves the construction of a porch to the South East elevation of Wolfen Hall. The porch measures 3m x 3.5m on plan with an overall height of 3.6m. Access to the house from the proposed porch will be via an existing door opening, the existing door opening will not be altered and the existing door will also be retained.

The proposed porch will be constructed from random rubble with stone quoins at the corners. The porch will have a blue slate roof and a window to both the North East and South West elevations. The proposed windows will have plain natural stone surrounds and painted timber windows to match the existing windows to the South East elevation. The opening into the porch will be left open, with a plain natural stone head.

## JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WORKS

The proposed porch will provide the owners of Wolfen Hall with the additional storage they require for coats and boots. It will also ensure visitors to Wolfen Hall can wait in the dry before the door is answered and they enter Wolfen Hall.

As illustrated in the painting by John Weld below from 1841, Wolfen Hall previously had an open porch on the South West elevation. The existing porch of 1841 is very similar is style to the porch proposed in the submitted planning application.

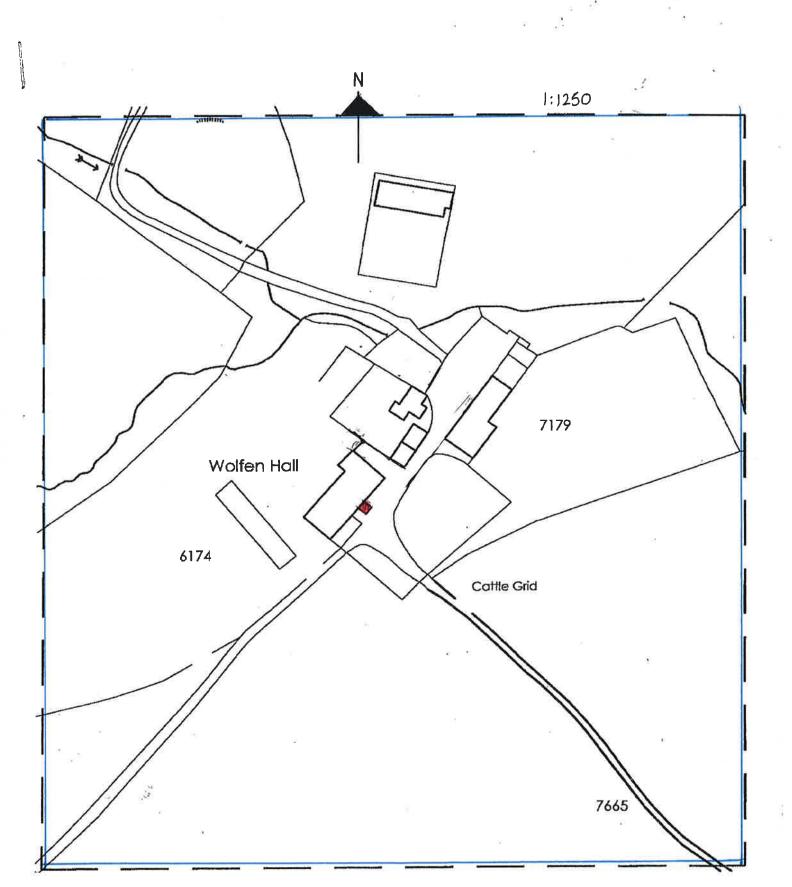


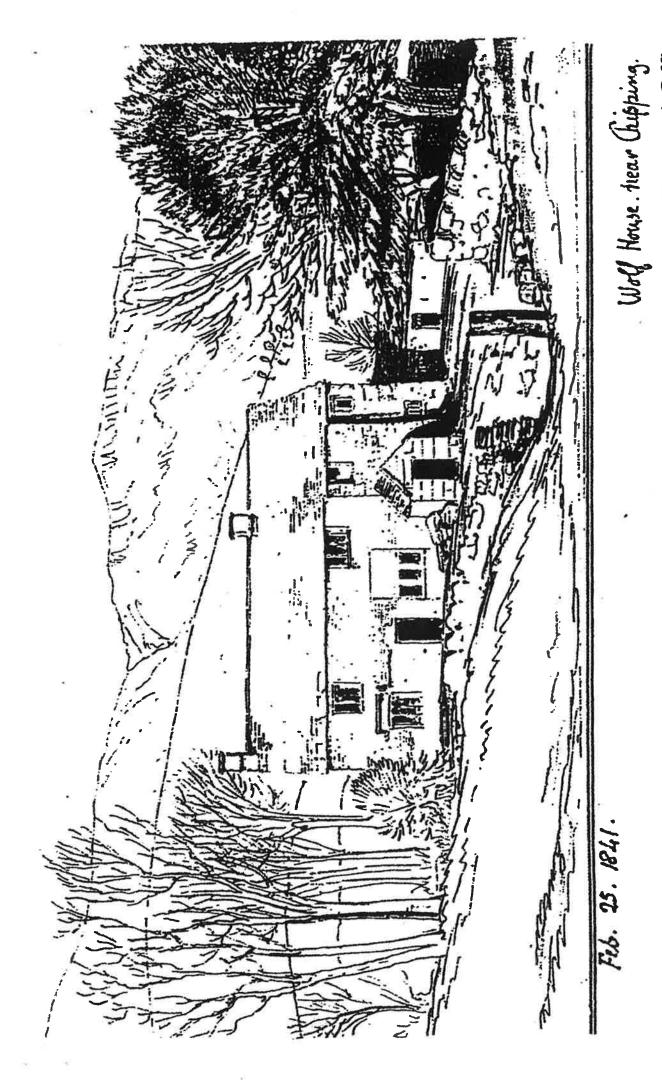
Painting by John Weld of Leagram Hall the original is at Lancashire Record Office

## EVALUATION OF THE IMPACT OF THE SCHEME

The proposed porch to Wolfen Hall has been designed to minimize the impact it will have on the listed building. The existing door opening and door will remain unaltered. The new porch walls will obviously butt up to the existing wall, however they will not cause any damage to the fabric of the listed building, consequently these changes are reversible and as a result do not have an adverse affect on Wolfen Hall.

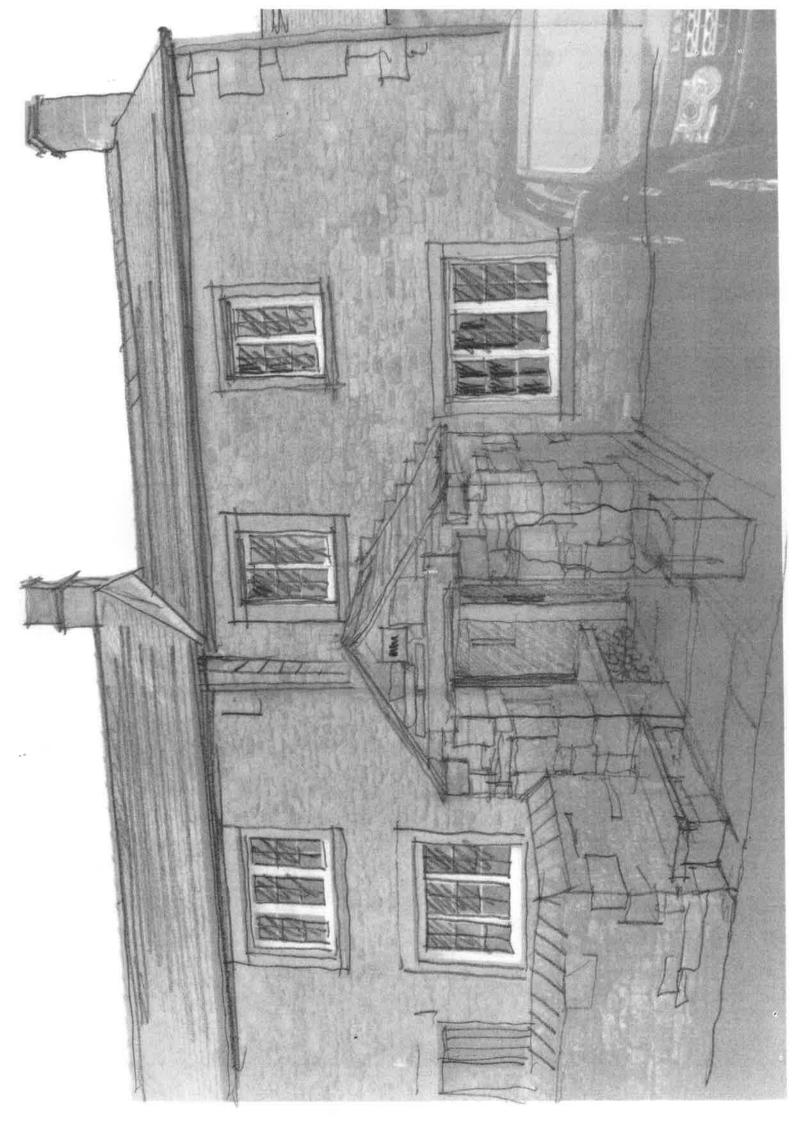
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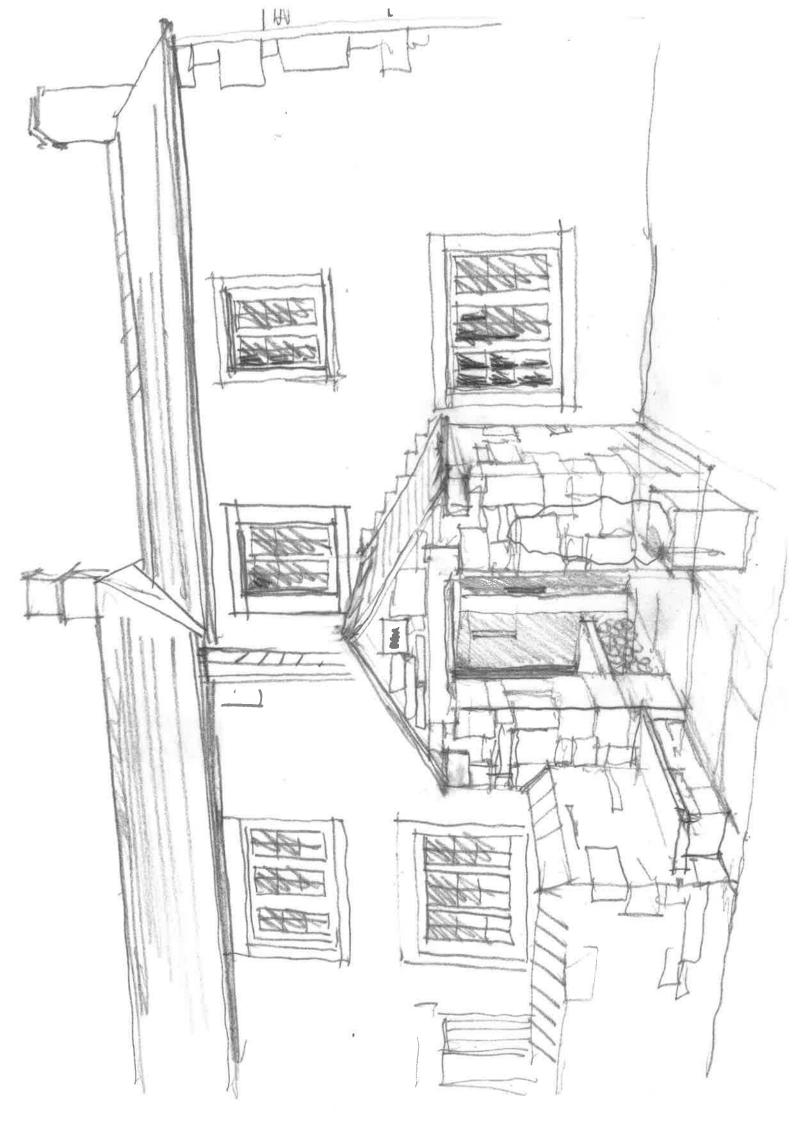




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## **Linda Nuttall**

From:

Linda Nuttall on behalf of Duncan Isherwood

Sent:

23 October 2013 13:10

To:

'john.macholc@ribblevalley.gov.uk'

Subject:

App Nos 3/2013/0578/P(LBC) and 3/2013/0579/P - Wolfen Hall - new porch -

refused 9th August 2013

**Attachments:** 

3283\_001.pdf; 3284\_001.pdf; 3285\_001.pdf

John

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to discuss this application prior to an appeal being commenced.

As you know, both we and our clients were very surprised by this decision, given the history of this building, the evidence of there having been a porch previously and the extent to which the historic fabric has been lost on this section of the building.

We have therefore commissioned Stephen Haigh MA, a local Buildings Archaeologist to carry out an investigation into the history of the building, its merit and the significance of the proposed porch extension with reference to its past and present appearance. This report is attached.

A very high proportion of country houses and farms in this borough have a single storey open fronted porch – does this mean that all those buildings are therefore damaged by "the incongruity and dominance of the front elevation, the prominence given to a secondary element of the façade" ... etc. Quote – policy reasons for refusal.

The reference to the "obscuring of the important historic features" should be read in conjunction with Stephen Haigh's report. There is no loss of historic fabric as it has all been altered very recently (in particular see photos 1 and 2).

I would ask that you look carefully at the many quoted paragraphs and in particular, the NPPF which your officer has quoted extensively from. In the reasons for refusal paras 131 and 132 are quoted. These have been cherry picked from a particular section of the NPPF headed 'Conserving and Enhancing the Historic Environment'. Most of these paragraphs are discussing policies relating to loss of heritage assets rather than a small extension to a previously altered listed building. In addition, under the section 'Legislation, Policy and Guidance' a reference has been made to NPPF policies. The wording of many of these paragraphs taken out of their context could be ambiguous., eg. para 187 is quoted.

We would appreciate your guidance on this matter and would be very pleased to resubmit should you be minded to reconsider the proposals.

Thank you and kind regards.

Duncan

## **Duncan N Isherwood RIBA**

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## **WOLFEN HALL, CHIPPING, LANCASHIRE, PR3 2NZ:**

## HERITAGE STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED FRONT PORCH

## 1 Introduction

1.1 This heritage statement has been produced at the request of Mr & Mrs Morris, via their agents Sunderland Peacock & Associates Ltd, to accompany an application to Ribble Valley Borough Council for planning and listed building consent for the addition of a porch at Wolfen Hall, (NGR: SD 60656 44752), which is grade II listed. It provides a summary of the significance of the heritage asset and its setting, in accordance with Paragraph 128 of the *National Planning Policy Framework* and has been produced by Stephen Haigh MA, a buildings archaeologist with over 15 years professional experience in the region, following a site visit on 13 September 2013.

## 2 Identified heritage assets

2.1 Wolfen Hall Farm comprises a group of various buildings occupying an outlying location 2km north-west of Chipping village, at the foot of Parlick and Wolf Fell, the southern end of the Bowland fells, and in the Forest of Bowland AONB. The Hall itself comprises a single dwelling, created from the amalgamation of the farmhouse with other adjoining buildings, and stands at the south-west end of the farm group.



Photo 1: the present Wolfen Hall

2.2 Wolfen Hall has been listed (grade II) as a building of special architectural and historic interest since 1983 (National Heritage List no: 1072289), and is the only designated heritage asset in the vicinity. It is described in the list as:

House, possibly C16th, altered 1867-8. Slobbered rubble with steep slate roof. 2 storeys, 2 bays, with end stacks. Windows have plain stone surrounds with wooden casements. The door, between the bays, has plain reveals. The chimney caps have copings and weathered offsets. At the rear is a parallel range which appears to be of a later date. Interior: The right-hand room has, in its rear wall, a blocked 5-light tall wooden mullioned window with wooden lintel and sill and splayed wooden jambs. Between the hall and the left-hand room is a timber-framed wall which rises through the 1st floor. A main post, against the front wall of the house, is tenoned into the tie beam at 1st floor ceiling level. The rear wall of the left-hand room, separating it from the stair hall at the rear, is also timber framed with many redundant peg holes suggesting re-use or reconstruction. Between the entrance hall and stair hall is a chamfered wooden door surround with 4-centred head. The dog-leg stair has been reconstructed but retains its C17th handrail and moulded newel. A stone wall, now dividing the rear wing but formerly an external wall, has a blocked window with wooden mullions. A drawing in the Weld collection at the Harris Art Gallery, Preston, dated 1841, shows the house extending further to the right (north-east) where a later Cl9th extension now adjoins. The drawing also shows a chamfered doorway with an ogee head. This feature is not necessarily of medieval date.

Smith, T.C. History of Chipping. Preston, 1894, p. 226.

2.3 The small scale and position of the proposed development mean that the only heritage asset to consider in this application is the grade II listed Wolfen Hall itself (including its setting).

## 3 Historical background

- 3.1 Wolfen Hall (formerly known as Wolfhouse and other variants) has medieval origins as a settlement, and may for a time have served as a manor house, but the property changed hands at various times during the seventeenth century and in later years descended the social scale to become a tenanted farm, until the late twentieth century.
- 3.2 One important historical event as regards the present application is the extensive alterations which were carried out at the Hall in 1867-8<sup>1</sup>, and the broadly contemporary construction of new adjoining buildings at its north-east end. It is also important to note that these adjoining buildings were altered substantially during later years, and again when they were incorporated into the residential accommodation, it is believed under planning consents of *c*.1999.
- 3.3 Two illustrations of Wolfen Hall made before the 1860s alterations, by John Weld of Leagram Hall in 1841, are useful in showing how much the exterior has been altered since then (figures 1 & 2 below).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Smith, T 1894 History of Chipping



Figure 1: John Weld's sketch of Wolfen Hall, 1841<sup>2</sup>

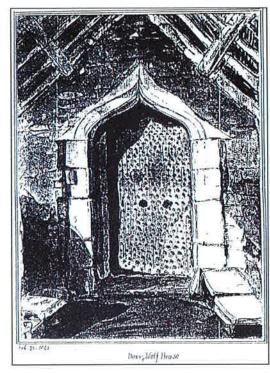


Figure 2: John Weld's sketch of the doorway within the porch at Wolfen Hall, 1841

3.4 Figure 1 shows the main house with an irregular arrangement of windows, at least one of which has a hood mould, with an approximately central doorway. Beyond a straight joint or set-back to the right of this part of the building are two further narrow bays, apparently unheated, with a small stone, gabled porch positioned at the junction between these and the main house. The separate illustration of the doorway, set within the porch, shows an ogee arch and large moulded jambs of medieval character (figure 2). The first edition Ordnance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Lancashire Archives DP 386/1

Survey 1:10560 map also shows this porch (figure 3), but it appears to have been removed in the 1860s works, when the north-east end appears to have been rebuilt (see figure 4).

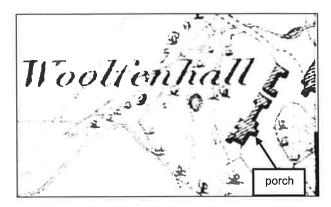


Figure 3: OS 1:10,560 map, 1846 (Lancs, sheet 45)

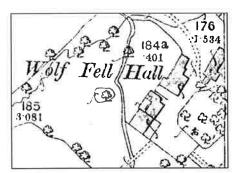


Figure 4: OS 1:2500 map, 1892 (Lancs, sheet 45.8)

3.5 The site was visited by a field investigator in 1958, whose external inspection noted that:

The present structure is a plain stone built two-storey farmhouse with all modern features. There are no architectural features by which it may be dated. Adjoining outbuildings and farmbuildings on the NE side are of a late date of construction..... The present structure may be a complete or partial rebuilding employing materials from a preceding building on the site.<sup>3</sup>

- 3.6 Also during the twentieth century, the front of the farm buildings which adjoined the north-east end of the house was altered to create a wide opening in order to serve as a garage, the appearance of which is shown in photograph 2 below, taken in the 1980s or 1990s.
- 3.7 Episodes of extensions and alterations to the Hall were given listed building and planning consent in 1995, 1999, and 2000, the aspects of which relevant here were the replacement of the garage doorway by a window, and the insertion of a new window opening at first floor level, over the adjacent entrance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> English Heritage <u>Pastscape</u> Monument no 43824, consulted 11 October 2013



Photo 2: Photograph of 1980s/1990s, showing garage occupying north-east end

## 4 Architectural appraisal of the house

- 4.1 Despite the rather sweeping dismissal of the Wolfen Hall farmhouse made in 1958, that it was then a relatively modern building, it is clear from a brief internal inspection and the listed building description that much earlier elements do survive inside the south-west part, though it is also clear, and supported by graphic evidence, that the present front of that part of the house largely belongs to the 1860s. The remodelling of the fenestration carried out at that time and the present blue/green slate roof result in a generally bland façade which is to all intents and purposes indistinguishable from houses of the mid 1860s, which gives no indication of the building's more historic origins, or indeed is in a style distinctive to the local vernacular.
- The north-east end of the house appears to have been entirely rebuilt in the 1860s, as no architectural features demonstrably earlier than that date were observed within it. The doorway used as the main entrance into the dwelling has tie-stone jambs and must have replaced the ogee arched doorway observed by Weld in 1841, but its size and proportions are agricultural rather than domestic so it was clearly intended as the entrance to a shippon or stable, rather than part of the dwelling. The three windows in this elevation are all post-1999 in their present forms, the ground floor window having been created to replace the garage doorway noted above, though all have been treated so as to resemble nineteenth century openings. The interior of this part of the range now forms the kitchen and other domestic areas. Further to the north-east, the single storey end of the range is equally very modern in character.



Photo 3: Present appearance of the site for the proposed porch



Photo 4: Single storey part of the range

4.3 The immediate setting of the listed building is also worth noting: apart from the small walled garden to the early part of the house, the frontage is dominated by an extensive tarmac forecourt which in character is modern, uniform and monotonous.

## 5 Assessment of heritage significance

5.1 It is clear that the house merits its listed status only by virtue of its internal features surviving from the early post-medieval or late medieval phase, and that without them, it is very doubtful that it would be designated as a heritage asset. The extent and precise nature of these significant features has not been properly established, but as far as has been ascertained they are confined to and visible

only in the interior of the taller, south-west part of the house. The north-east end of the building appears to date entirely from the 1860s and the 150 years following and is barely recognisable as the former farm building it once was. In summary, the exterior of the house as a whole has very limited aesthetic and evidential values, which reduce the building's overall heritage significance.

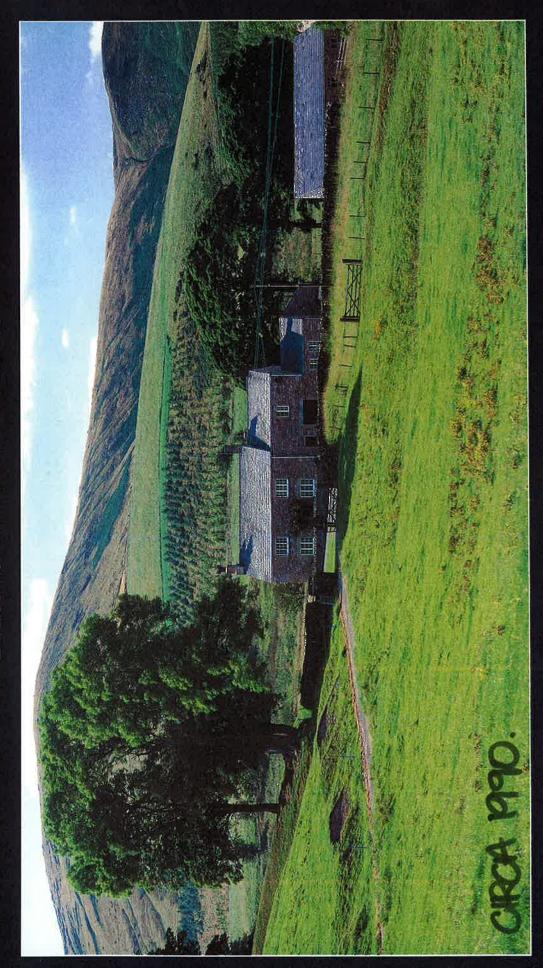
## 6 Assessment of impact of the proposed porch

The proposed porch would be a minor addition to the building range and has 6.1 been designed with historical precedence in mind, and though it is not intended to be a faithful restoration of the porch demolished in the 1860s, its form and materials are in keeping with the present building and with similar gabled porches in the district. It has not been designed to be distinctive or dominant, but rather to blend with the existing fabric of the listed building, and it would also serve to enhance the historic structure by breaking the monotony of the existing tarmac forecourt. Its position, adjoining for the most part what is believed to be a wholly late nineteenth century part of the range (and one which was much modified in later years), is intended so as to impinge as little as is practically possible on the façade of the main and historically most significant part of the house, though it should be borne in mind that that façade is largely the product of 1860s work which greatly reduced the building's aesthetic and evidential value. As such, it respects, rather than slights, the building's hierarchy. The existing nineteenth century doorway into the building, to be enclosed within the porch, would be left intact and would remain visible inside the new structure, as would the set-back between the two parts of the range which adjoin here. The manner in which the proposed porch disregards symmetry by being off-set to the window above, and overlies this join between the two buildings, contribute to, rather than detract from, the visual appearance of the elevation, by adding a further element to the palimpsest.

> Stephen Haigh, MA 11 October 2013

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INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY CONSULTANTS



# THE WOLFEN HALL ESTATE Lancashire

**DATE INSPECTED:** 

**TELEPHONE CLLRS: YES / NO** 

DATE:

## **Ribble Valley Borough Council**

## **DELEGATED ITEM FILE REPORT - REFUSAL**

Ref: AD/CMS

**Application No:** 

3/2013/0578/P (LBC) & 3/2013/0579/P (PA)

**Development Proposed:** 

New porch to front elevation at Wolfen Hall, Chipping

CONSULTATIONS: Parish/Town Council

Parish Council - No comments or observations received.

**CONSULTATIONS: Highway/Water Authority/Other Bodies** 

No observations received.

## **CONSULTATIONS: Additional Representations**

No representations have been received.

## **RELEVANT POLICIES:**

Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Policy ENV20 - Proposals Involving Partial Demolition/Alteration of Listed Buildings.

Policy ENV19 - Listed Buildings (Setting).

Policy G1 - Development Control.

Policy H10 - Residential Extensions.

Policy ENV1 - Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Policy SPG - "Extensions and Alterations to Dwellings"

Ribble Valley Core Strategy Regulation 22 Submission Draft

Policy DMG1 - General Considerations.

Policy DME4 - Protecting Heritage Assets.

NPPF.

HEPPG.

## **POLICY REASONS FOR REFUSAL:**

Harmful impact upon the character and significance of the listed building because of the incongruity and dominance in front elevation, the prominence given to a secondary element of the facade and the obscuring of important historic features. RVDLP Policies ENV19, G1 and H10, NPPF paragraph 131 and 132, SPG 'Extensions and Alterations to Dwellings' and RVCSReg.22SD Policies DME4 and DMG1.

## COMMENTS/ENVIRONMENTAL/AONB/HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES/RECOMMENDATION:

Wolfen Hall is a Grade II listed (22 November 1983) house, possibly 16<sup>th</sup> century, altered 1867-1868. The list description suggests the core of the building to be the two bay two storey element with early and very interesting fabric. There is a later parallel range to the rear and a 19<sup>th</sup> century extension to the right. Further to the right, and maintaining the vernacular linearity of the farmstead (see pages 45 and 47 of English Heritage's 'Historic Farmsteads, Preliminary Character Statement: North West Region', 2006), is a collection of traditional stone farm buildings (including the 'Keepers Cottage' conversion). The 1845 Ordnance Survey Map shows that there have been changes to the building footprint but the overall historic farmstead plan and layout has been retained. There is strong intervisibility between

buildings on this site.

Whilst the farmstead is isolated within the Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty it is prominent in public views (particularly from Parlick and Wolf Fell which overshadow the site; public rights of way include the footpaths which pass immediately to the south of the Hall and steading).

## Relevant planning history

No pre-application advice was sought in respect of the proposals.

3/1999/0188 - EXTENSIONS AND ALTERATIONS. PP granted 10 June 1999.

3/1999/0189 - EXTENSIONS AND ALTERATIONS. LBC granted 10 June 1999.

3/1999/ 0832 -- EXTENSIONS AND ALTERATIONS. PP granted 13 January 2000.

3/1999/0833 - EXTENSIONS AND ALTERATIONS. LBC granted 13 January 2000.

3/1995/0487 - TAKE DOWN GABLE WALL AND REBUILD AS EXISTING INCLUDING REBUILDING CHIMNEY AND INCORPORATE 3 No. NEW WINDOWS. LBC granted 11 September 1995.

An extensive site history relates to the farm stead outbuildings.

## Legislation, policy and guidance

Section 16(2) of the <u>Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</u> states that when considering applications for listed building consent, special regard shall be had to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.

Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 states that the determination of planning applications must be made in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

Section 66(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 states that in considering whether to grant planning permission for development that affects a listed building or its setting, the local planning authority shall have special regard to the desirability of preserving the building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.

Mrs Justice Lang's recent judgement in **East Northamptonshire** has confirmed that 'desirability' means 'sought-after objective' and that 'in order to give effect to the statutory duty under section 66(1), a decision-maker should accord considerable importance and weight to 'the desirability of preserving ... the setting' of listed buildings when weighing this factor in the balance with other 'material considerations' which have not been given this special statutory status'.

The Ribble Valley Districtwide Local Plan (June 1998) is particularly relevant at Policies ENV20, ENV19, G1, H10 and ENV3.

<u>The NPPF</u> is particularly relevant at paragraph 6, 7, 8, 14, 17, 56 - 57, 60 - 61, 64, 126, 128 - 135, 137, 187- 190, 196-197 and 215- 216.

<u>The HEPPG</u> is particularly relevant at paragraph 80, 82, 113 – 121, 142-143, 152, 158 – 161, 178 – 189 and 192.

The Ribble Valley Core Strategy Regulation 22 Submission Draft is particularly relevant at Policies DME4 and DMG1.

English Heritage state that whilst 'The Setting of Heritage Assets' (English Heritage, October 2011) contains references that are now out of date, it still contains useful advice and case studies. It is stated that:

'the cumulative impact of incremental small-scale changes may have as great an effect on the setting of a heritage asset as a large-scale development' (4.5).

.. arguments about the sensitivity of a setting to change should not be based on the numbers of people visiting it. This will not adequately take account of qualitative issues, such as the importance of quiet and tranquillity as an attribute of setting; constraints on the public to routinely gain access to a setting because of remoteness or challenging terrain; or the importance of the setting to a local community who may be few in number' (2.4).

'where a development in the setting of a heritage asset is designed to be distinctive or dominant and, as a result, it causes harm to the asset's significance, there will need to be justification for that harm' (Setting and Urban Design).

<u>'Extensions and Alterations to Dwellings: Ribble Valley Borough Council supplementary planning guidance'</u> (adopted September 2000) states:

'Any extension should reflect the character of the original house and the wider locality' (5.2). An accompanying illustration suggests that this policy applies to window details;

'As a general rule any extension should not dominate the original house. This is particularly important in relation to buildings of historic or architectural importance' (5.2);

'Size – the size of an extension is an important consideration. Over-large extensions can dominate the original dwelling, they are also more likely to harm the amenities of neighbours' (5.2)

'In Conservation Areas and open countryside size controls will be more strictly applied. Extensions which lead to properties becoming significantly more prominent will not be allowed. Part of the character of these areas is the stock of relatively small cottages ... it should be noted that even small extensions can be prominent if they are not carefully sited and designed ... the cumulative impact of a number of smaller extensions can be as damaging as single over intensive proposals. Therefore all applications will be assessed with regard to the original dwelling" (5.2);

'Windows and doors - The type of windows and doors used, and their positioning are an important part of any development. It is often best to follow the style of the original house' (5.2).

'Conservation Principles, Policies and Guidance for the Sustainable Management of the Historic Environment' (English Heritage, 2008) identifies four groups of heritage values: Evidential, Historical, Aesthetic and Communal.

'<u>Constructive Conservation in Practice'</u> (English Heritage, 2008) states "Constructive Conservation is the broad term adopted by English Heritage for a positive and collaborative approach to conservation that focuses on actively managing change.

The aim is to recognise and reinforce the historic significance of places, while accommodating the changes necessary to ensure their continued use and enjoyment ...

... The Principles also underline the importance of a systematic and consistent approach to conservation. In order to provide this consistency, we are guided by a values-based approach to assessing heritage significance".

## Submitted information

A Heritage Statement and Design and Access Statement has been submitted:

(i) this includes a painting from 1841 showing a porch in a similar location to that now proposed.

## **Conclusions**

It is evident from the planning history that this listed building has lost some of its significance as a result of modern (including unauthorised) works. It is also evident from the list description and the 1841 Weld painting (submitted heritage statement) that the front elevation was significantly remodelled and partly re-built between the mid-C19 and listing date - the front elevation now has a formal and symmetric character.

In my opinion and mindful of HEPPG paragraph 178 and 180, the proposed porch would be a dominant intrusion to the building range which is largely defined by the formality and simplicity of openings. Its attachment to a relatively recent addition (late C19 extension) confuses the building heirachy. It is also off-set to the window above and is located at the join of the late C19 and earlier builds – presumably a reference to the 1841 Weld painting and a previous façade appearance which was deliberately superseded before listing date. In my opinion and mindful of restoration considerations at HEPPG paragraphs 158-162 and 'Conservation Principles, Policies and Guidance for the Sustainable Management of the Historic Environment' paragraphs 126-137, the proposed work is unacceptable.

The elevation plans to 3/1999/0188 suggest the door surround to the late C19 extension to be a historic feature (3/1999/0188 also shows that two of the three adjoining windows are modern). In my opinion and mindful of HEPPG paragraph 187, the obscuring of this important historic feature is unacceptable.

In my opinion, the proposal will not result in any public benefits (NPPF paragraph 134).

RECOMMENDATION: That listed building consent and planning permission be refused.

## The Planning Inspectorate

**APPELLANT DETAILS** 

Mr len morris

Wolfen Hall Farm

Name

Address

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## LISTED BUILDING CONSENT OR CONSERVATION AREA CONSENT APPEAL FORM (Online Version)

Your appeal and essential supporting documents must reach the Inspectorate within 6 months of the date of receipt of the Local Planning Authority's decision notice or, for 'failure' appeals, within 6 months of the date by which they should have decided the application.

**WARNING:** If any of the 'Essential supporting documents' listed in Section K are not received by us within the 6-month period, the appeal will not be accepted.

APPEAL REFERENCE: APP/T2350/E/14/2213092

The name of the person(s) making the appeal must appear as an applicant on the consent application form.

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## O. APPEAL DOCUMENTS

We will not be able to validate the appeal until all the necessary supporting documents are received.

Please remember that all supporting documentation needs to be received by us within the appropriate deadline for the case type. If forwarding the documents by email, please send to **appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk**. If posting, please enclose the section of the form that lists the supporting documents and send it to PO Box 2606, Bristol, BS1 9AY.

You will not be sent any further reminders.

Please ensure that anything you do send by post or email is clearly marked with the reference number:

## APP/T2350/E/14/2213092

Please ensure that a copy of your appeal form and any supporting documents are sent to the local planning authority.

- \*\* FULL STATEMENT OF CASE

====== ESSENTIAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS =======

- \*\* 01. A copy of the original listed building consent/conservation area consent application sent to the LPA.
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I. FULL STATEMENT OF CASE			
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If you do not know who owns all or part of the appeal site, complete either Certificate C or Certificate D in the  $Guidance\ Notes$  and attach it to the appeal form.

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If you have sent other appeals for this or nearby sites to us and these have not been decided, please give details and our reference numbers.

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## (All supporting documents must be received by us within the 6 month time limit)

I confirm that I have sent a copy of this appeal form and relevant documents (including the full statement of case) to the LPA (if you do not your appeal will not normally be accepted).

I confirm that all sections have been fully completed and that the details of the ownership (section J) are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature Date 3 February 2014

Name (in capitals) Mr duncan isherwood

On behalf of (if applicable) Mr len morris

The gathering and subsequent processing of the personal data supplied by you in this form, is in accordance with the terms of our registration under the Data Protection Act 1998. Further information about our Data Protection policy can be found in the guidance leaflet.

## N. NOW SEND

Send a copy to the LPA

 You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

Send a copy of the appeal form to the address from which the decision notice was sent (or to the address shown on any letters received from the LPA). There is no need to send them all the documents again; send them any supporting documents (including your full statement of case) not previously sent as part of the application. If you do not send them a copy of this form and documents, we may not accept your appeal.

When we receive your appeal form, we will write to you letting you know if your appeal is valid, who is dealing with it and what happens next.