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Hi Hamish

Comments on the above applications.

The historic core of Ormonde Hall consists of a Grade II listed 15<sup>th</sup> century timber framed farmhouse, which was altered during the 16<sup>th</sup> century, and again altered and greatly extended during the 1920s by the then owner S. Heywood Daly Butler. The very substantial extensions made at that time to the west end of the building were recently destroyed by fire, and planning permission and listed building consent subsequently granted in 2021 for their replacement with a reconfigured extension, including a glazed link to the thankfully largely undamaged listed building. These permissions were amended by further applications in 2023 and in 2024.

The planning and listed building consent applications relate to further potential amendments to the approved scheme for reconstruction, comprising to the original hall house:

- A new external entrance door to the southern elevation of the hall house (former farmhouse), adjacent to the previously approved glazed link to the rebuilt wing;
- Alterations to the stair balustrade within the hall house;
- Opening up of the eastern side of the fireplace within the hall house to create a dual aspect fireplace; and
- A new bathroom at first floor within the hall house.

Further amendments are proposed to the design of the rebuilt wing:

- The roof to the central projecting of the principal elevation amended from a hip to a gable;
- Addition of two flat roofed dormers to the front roof slope; and
- Addition of two conservation style rooflights to the rear roofslope.

These various amendments to the approved scheme were considered at pre-application stage. Further information was provided in respect of the works to the hall house, specifically in terms of the date and level of interest of the rear wing where the new bathroom is sited and of the fabric affected by the remaining internal alterations. This information is also included with the current applications, and confirms that only relatively modern fabric and room plans are impacted by the proposed works. Further, the proposed new external entrance door, whilst not in the original position, also affects only modern infill fabric, and has the benefit of at least restoring an entrance to the façade of the building. On this basis, the works to the hall house are not considered contentious.

The works to the rebuilt wing were also considered at pre-application stage and were not considered to harm the listed building or its setting.

The proposals are therefore considered to preserve the special interest of the listed building, meeting the requirements of District Plan Policy DP34 and the relevant paragraphs of the NPPF.

Thanks

Emily

Please note that this advice is given at Officer level only and is without prejudice to the formal decision of the District Council.

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