

Tudor Cottage - Design and Access Statement – Front Porch Insulation

This proposal is intended to address aspects of maintenance and repair necessary to preserve the historic nature and integrity of Tudor Cottage. The building has suffered a lack of maintenance and some inappropriate repairs over several decades. Items for renovation have been identified from a building survey report in 2023, commissioned during the purchase of the property by the current owners.

One area for attention is the Front Porch, added in the 1970's and therefore of little heritage interest, although aesthetically it is in keeping with the original building. The construction is solid 9" brickwork covered with sand/cement render which is blown in places. The interior of the porch suffers from condensation damp.

Proposed work – insulation and re-rendering of porch.

The existing inappropriate and defective render will be removed. A 40mm natural fibre insulation will be added to the brickwork and covered with a lime plaster and render. The choice of materials is more in keeping with the remainder of the building, similar to that used in recent renovation work to the rear elevation. It will also improve the thermal performance of the porch and help address the damp issue. The work will be finished in white limewash so the overall appearance externally will be unchanged.

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