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Comments: I feel that the buildings have been restored sympathetically and the terrace which is the subject of this application is entirely in keeping with the aesthetics of the restoration, bringing the beauty of the interiors to the outside given that much of the materials used are original features. Many people in passing the buildings comment likewise. I was disappointed to read comments which are not supportive of the application, for example only half of the trees which were "rotten" have been removed leaving the remaining intact. I can see that 7 trees were removed and 6 remain - access to the 6 being blocked by a shipping container sited behind a caravan. (I understand from the parties concerned that the trees were removed to make space for caravan parking but I do not know who owns the land where the trees were removed from.) The trees could easily have been "topped" to make space whilst also preserving privacy. There were also comments made about noise disturbance. The area concerned is at the centre of a residential complex, overlooked in all directions, and with a working mechanics garage towards one side, and in summer months lots of people relax outdoors. Any noise coming from the terrace was short-lived and due to workmen on site playing a radio. I'm not aware of any barbeques or other social events taking place on the terrace and indeed I doubt very much whether this would be the case in the future. There were also comments made concerning the buildings structural strength. Whilst I wouldn't wish to challenge other peoples' experience in the construction industry I do know that all works on the two buildings have been completed to building regulation standards, for example use of Tie Bars to support structural rigidity. Mr Heald should be congratulated on his endeavours. His commitment has seen new life breathed into the immediate vicinity and the buildings have been saved for future generations to enjoy. I therefore wholeheartedly support the application.