Design and Access Statement – The White House, Akesmore Lane

My thatcher has advised me that the existing chimney stack is so unstable that it is unlikely to survive many further storms. Failure of the flashing at the base of the stack has already allowed some leakage of water into the thatch and ridge-beam.

I therefore wish to have the existing brickwork repointed so as to prevent any further water ingress and/or damage to the fabric of the thatch and interior oak beams. The chimney will then be repainted white, as it is at present. The existing design will be retained and no changes will be made to the exterior appearance of the building.

Many of the existing windows are in softwood frames. These have rotted and will be replaced with new oak frames to match the existing apertures.

Access to the property is by way of the driveway and is entirely suitable for the purpose of carrying out all the required work.

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