

**Heritage Statement**  
**Conversion of First and Second Floor Shop / Retail Premises**  
**To One Bedroom Apartment**  
**61A St Edward Street Leek Staffordshire ST13 5DN**  
**Planning Ref SMD/2021/0524**

| <b>Proposed Works</b>                                                                           | <b>Significance of the Historic Fabric Affected</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Impact of the Proposed Work on the Historic Fabric</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Conversion of Existing first and second floor shop / retail premises into One Bedroom Apartment | The property concerned is located near to a number of listed buildings in St Edward Street but itself IS NOT listed. It is purely located in the Leek Town Centre Conversation Area. The frontage to this building and the adjacent property (59 St Edward Street) were subject to Conservation Grant in 2006, where sympathetic alterations were undertaken to enhance the historic appearance of the front elevation of the building. See Planning Application – SMD/05/00595/FUL. | <b>No works or alterations are proposed or are required to the historic features associated with the front of the building of any kind.</b><br>All works are contained wholly within the internal footprint of the existing first and second floor levels, utilising existing walls, floors, windows etc.<br>Access to the first floor of the proposal is via an existing shared staircase, shared with the apartment above 59 St Edward Street, permission for this being |

|  |                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | No protection is afforded to the internal areas of the building. | granted under SMD/2016/0122/FUL.<br>Access to the second floor of this proposal again utilising an existing staircase within the footprint of this property.<br>Refer to both the Design and Access Statement and elevational drawings provided as part of the submission. |
|--|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

## Conclusion

The proposal will not have any affect on the historic features of the building frontage. No historic fabric will be lost given the nature of the wholly internal conversion works.

Overall, the proposal will not have any effect on the visual impact of the building within the existing street scene.

Consequently, there is no affect to the building's standing and status both within and against the surrounding Conservation Area.

By way of comment, the granting of planning permission for this proposal from unoccupied commercial areas to occupied residential areas will undoubtedly encourage the continued presence and maintenance of the existing external historic features associated with this building.