

Online Comment

Application H08-0401-18
Location Gosberton Methodist Church Risegate Road Gosberton Risegate
Proposal Change of use including alterations of Methodist Chapel to residential dwelling

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For/Against Comments

Gosberton Risegate Methodist Church is a historic nonconformist place of worship with local historic significance, and as such it represents a non-designated heritage asset as defined in national planning policy.

The proposed development (unlike the previous application H23-1318-16) involves a number of changes to the building's historic fabric, which could affect the building's significance. At present there is insufficient information available to assess the proposed development's impacts upon the historic environment.

It is therefore recommended that the applicant be required to produce a heritage statement to provide the local planning authority with sufficient information to make a reasoned decision. The statement should include a description of the building's significance, details of the changes proposed (including materials to be used), and any impact they will have.

"In determining applications, local planning authorities should require an applicant to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. The level of detail should be proportionate to the assets' importance and no more than is sufficient to understand the potential impact of the proposal on their significance. As a minimum the relevant historic environment record should have been consulted and the heritage assets assessed using appropriate expertise where necessary." - National Planning Policy Framework Section 12, para 128.