



12 Booth Bank, West Slaithwaite Planning application 2019/90876

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HERITAGE STATEMENT

I purchased the above property in September 2002. On purchase there was some peeling of paint, revealing a blue undercoat under the white top coat.

The walls, including the side wall were painted white (see attached photos). The right hand wall from the drainpipe was cement rendered. The house was originally two, numbers 12 and 13. They were then called 13, and then called 12 from about 1982.

The peeling gradually increased over the years, becoming increasingly patchy and ugly. This also uncovered issues with stonework and pointing. Some stone was sandstone and eroding. A couple of sizeable stones were missing and filled with plaster and brick. The pointing was a mixture of crumbling lime mortar and cement. Some of the cement was "fishboning" while other cement was dark and very hard, especially covering splits and issues with mullions. The right hand wall from the drainpipe had two cracks running at 45 degrees from the bottom left and right hand sides. These had lengthened over 15 years.

The walls to the left of the drainpipe were sandblasted in 2018, followed by removing the cement render (two skins). More stone issues were discovered - another large block of stone was missing and the end stone abutting next door was of poor quality and losing shape. This was largely replaced.

Before repointing eroded sandstone was either removed and replaced or cut back and replaced. All course work was removed and entirely replaced with approved lime mortar. Damage to mullions (splitting, erosion) has yet to be addressed. This will be done this year.