

Heritage Advice

Building 113 (Hanger) at Bicester Heritage - Reference 18/00778/F

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Proposal

The building is a Grade II Listed C-type hanger, one of two within the site. Currently, the opening has two earlier sliding steel doors. The proposal is for the insertion of disabled access panic release fire escape doors including brickwork door jambs to the western elevation. These are in accord with the principles laid down in the HPA for the site. The sliding steel doors will be retained. To the opposite elevation, the insertion of fire escape doors has been previously undertaken – the current proposal seeks to copy this approach.

Advice

From a heritage perspective the proposal allows for the continued use of the hanger for public events. The proposal mirrors remodelling to the opposite elevation which is considered to be a good compromise between retaining earlier historic fabric – and which remains legible – whilst also allowing ongoing use of the hanger. The proposal is supported.