Heritage Advice

Building 143 at Bicester Heritage - Reference 18/00567/F

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Proposal

The proposal is for works to Building 143 to adapt it for light industrial use. Building 143 is not Listed but it is within the Conservation Area. The building sits within the technical site and was originally a gas defence building (Conservation Area Appraisal, p. 48-49). It is a single-storey brick building, with a flat concrete and asphalt roof, with brick parapets. The building was originally wholly functional in nature. The proposal is to remodel the current opening to the left-hand side of the north-east elevation, and to insert boarded doors as fitted in Buildings 130 and 135. The proposed works will also entail some repairs.

Advice

From a heritage perspective the application to change the building's use to light industrial is supported, as is the remodelling of one opening. This allows the building to be brought back into suitable use within the context of the wider technical site.