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Erection of single storey rear extension, single storey side extension, alterations to front window & door.

Dear Ms Morina.

In reviewing this application the Trust does not wish to cause any problems for the use of the building or its adaption to modernise its facilities. However, the building could play more of a role in the conservation area as a building of interest if the treatment of the main road frontage was better coordinated. In common with many institutional buildings where finance is limited, windows and doors tend to unsuitably changed on an ad-hoc basis. There is also a poorly finished extension at the rear that impinges on Oswald Court.

The Trust suggests that conditions attached to any approval are used to help remedy these problems. The front elevation as a minimum should be subject to a short report to identify the architecturally correct style and type of window (and doors) and issues with the current installation followed by a requirement for replacements to be of the appropriate type. There should also be a requirement to finish the exposed blockwork extension at the rear.

Yours sincerely

John Lowe

Chair, The City of Durham Trust