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DM/20/02009/AD | Erection and display of 1no illuminated fascia sign, 1 no illuminated projecting sign (Retrospective) | 48 North Bailey Durham DH1 3ET

DM/20/02003/LB | Painting of shop frontage and installation of illuminated signs (Retrospective) | 48 North Bailey Durham DH1 3ET

Dear Ms Hurton

The City of Durham Trust is concerned about these retrospective applications for this listed building. It is important that property owners are not allowed to get away with carrying out works of such sensitivity and subsequently seeking approval.

In this case the signage is particularly out of keeping with both the building itself and the Conservation Area within which it is situated. Furthermore it is situated within the boundary of the World Heritage Site and so requires special protection. The Durham City Neighbourhood Plan (DCNP) has now been approved to go forward to referendum and as such must carry weight. In this case the application must be assessed against Policies H1 and H2 of the DCNP.

The Trust fully endorses the detailed objections already submitted by the City of Durham Parish Council.

Yours sincerely

John Lowe
Chair, City of Durham Trust