

# THE CITY OF DURHAM TRUST

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Dear Mr Fenwick,

**DM/23/00753/FPA Edale 22 Crossgate Peth Durham DH1 4PZ**

*Replacement of the existing porch*

The Trust wishes to make a comment on this proposal.

The existing porch sits on the very visible front face of the building forming part of the streetscape. This is generally of good quality and the Trust considers that new proposals should be judged on the degree to which they sustain and enhance its significance.

In this instance, the existing porch is of a type that is much more appropriate to the rear of buildings rather than the main facade. It is unfortunate that the applicant has chosen the option that replicates the format of the existing one. It remains more of a solution for a rear area and its heavy solid surround has a greater impact than a full glass roof design. While offering some improvement the Trust does not consider that this is sufficient. A solution like that shown in Option 5 of the applicant's submission is of a much more appropriate standard and design for this important facade and streetscape.

The Trust therefore urges the County Council to encourage the applicant to alter the design.

Yours sincerely

John Lowe,  
Chair, City of Durham Trust