

Design and Access/Heritage Statement

I would like to install a new boiler at my home, 8 Cross Street, Whitehaven, Cumbria, CA28 7BX.

My boiler is 41 years old, inefficient and difficult to get spare parts for. A new combi boiler would be much more efficient. The old boiler is in a cupboard on the left-hand side as you enter the front door. The new boiler would go in the same position. Unfortunately, I only have one wall suitable for a vent and cowl, and this faces Cross Street. The cowl would be small, sited above head height, and would be coloured to match the wall paint.

Heritage Implications

If it were possible to fit the new boiler to the current flue, up the chimney, I would prefer that. However, the fitters have told me that this is not possible. There are other houses in the conservation area with combi boilers and associated cowls fitted. The cowl will be small, approximately 15cm x 10cm x 10 cm, and will be coloured to match the wall. This will minimise the impact on the character of the street.