

Heritage Statement

NX 91 SE ST BEES MAIN STREET (East side) St Bees 12/82 Manor House Hotel (incorporating Nos 10, 11 & 12) II

Hotel, late C18/early C19 with additions and alterations. Incised stucco. Main block set back with rusticated quoins and eaves cornice; parallel roofs with C20 concrete tiles; stone copings and kneelers, and rendered end chimneys. Wing adjoining north end has welsh slate roof with stone coping and kneelers and rendered mid chimney. 2 storeys. Main block taller, originally symmetrical 5 bays with central panelled door in architrave; doorcase has Tuscan pilasters supporting broken, swan-necked, pediment. 2 sashes to either side and 5 above, all in architraves. Bay with sash to each floor added to south end in C19. 7-bay wing refronted C19(?). Elliptical-headed coach access with projecting imposts and keystone has door and 2 sashes to left, sash to right; part-glazed door in architrave with stucco decoration above to extreme right, stable door to extreme left. 6 sashes above. C20 extension to rear.

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Whilst designing our proposed signage scheme, we were keenly aware of the history of this site and its prominence within the wider street scene. As a result, we opted to design a like for like scheme in terms of signage locations, with a lighter redecoration colour to enhance the appearance of the site.

We have tried to replicate the existing sign sizes where possible as the existing signs are scaled perfectly for the building to accommodate, without them becoming overbearing.

Where we have positioned the lighting will allow the key architectural features of the building to be highlighted without dominating the street scene.

Overall, we feel that our proposed scheme is sympathetic and will enhance/protect the building for many years to come.