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Lewiston Mill

Client

Newland Homes

Location

Thrupp, Stroud, Gloucestershire

Services Provided

Historic Buildings

Date of Completion

January 2007

Key Issues

Historic Building Appraisal

Justification against listing request

CgMs' historic building team provided an historic building appraisal for the buildings at Lewiston Mill to counter a request made by the local authority for their statutory listing.



The report demonstrated through an examination and analysis of the existing fabric that there had been continual alteration and substantial change to the character and appearance of the buildings and the site. As a result, it was shown that the existing architectural detailing and historic fabric was not of particular merit and that the property possessed very little of historic or architectural quality. On this basis the building could justifiably be considered not to meet the criteria for inclusion upon the statutory list.



The argument against listing was not that the buildings had little interest or significance within the immediate locality but that as examples of a historic industrial complex they lacked both completeness and architectural quality. It was for this reason that the buildings lacked the 'special interest' required by PPG15 to merit protection and did not warrant inclusion upon the list of 'Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest'.

The conclusions of the CgMs report were subsequently supported by the English Heritage inspectors who advised the secretary of state not to list the buildings.

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