

**PL/25/1004 - 18 BRIDGE STREET, CAVERSHAM, READING, RG4 8AA**

This building lies within St Peters Conservation Area and on Bridge Street, which is the gateway to Caversham. Previous alterations to the building have been unsympathetic so this application represents the opportunity to make improvements and enhance the Conservation Area.

CADRA supports in principle the conversion of upper floors to residential. However, the creation of small units present challenges for refuse disposal.

Refuse on Bridge Street is a regular problem with bins left out on the pavement and piles of rubbish left which severely detracts from the Conservation Area and the entrance to Caversham. Bins often block the pavement impeding pedestrians. It is unclear where bins would be sited and who would be responsible for ensuring they are removed promptly after collection.