

Stroud Town Council Local Heritage Asset List

High St/King Street, 1,20-24, Andrews, Specsavers and WH Smith, GL5 3DE	
Historic building	Conservation Area: Stroud Town Centre Stroud Town Centre NDP area
Shops with flats over	List entry number SLHA0009



Description

Ten bay, three storey block in stone; originally probably 4 shop units, now three. This corner block was rebuilt in 1905 (Tucker, 1978, photos 9 & 11 & 50), perhaps by W.H.C Fisher (Verey and Brooks, 2002, p 660). Shop front on High Street is original to around 1910, when it was Gardner's hatters. This shop front includes lattice ironwork detail at top of window frames and a broad fascia with sweeping curves. Shop front to 22 High Street also looks original. At ground level, five identical stone and marble pilasters and console brackets separate each shop and continue round the corner from the High Street into King Street. Original four light windows at first storey with hood mould detail. Corbels, stone mullion windows on first floor, four pilasters to first storey, shaped gable on corner with pilaster and ball finial. Four dormer windows, those at 22 and 24 High Street with original 36-light windows and all with leaded ball finials.

Sources

Tucker, J (1978), Stroud as it was, Hendon Publishing Co Ltd
Verey, D and Brooks, A (2002), The Buildings of England, Gloucestershire 1: The Cotswolds, New Haven and London, Yale University Press

Selection Criteria	
Architectural and aesthetic value	Handsome early twentieth century group of shops in a coherent and pleasing design and in a prominent position.
Group value	1 High Street and 20-24 King Street clearly designed as a group.

Degree of completeness	Many exterior details complete although a little worn; one complete early twentieth century shop front.
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