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Summary

This application is for the maintenance and refurbishment of the restaurant unit, The Duck House, Ruislip. It is for the external re-decoration, replacement signage in like for like positions, internal general decoration throughout, and a replacement conservatory structure to the rear side of the building with new extended decked area.

Design

The current site is in need of maintenance in order to be re-activated as a usable restaurant space. The proposals are all considered sympathetic and are proposed to enhance and respect the original building.

Internally, most of the works are re-finishing and they will have a minimal impact on the historic fabric of the building.

Access

The site's access arrangements will remain unaltered by these proposals.

The design is simply intended to replace the previous restaurant operator's colour scheme, décor and signage with the applicant's own.

All seating is table service, and due to the nature of the furniture, chairs and tables can be positioned to better suit specific needs of customers who require walking aids or wheelchairs.

Where there are existing internal steps at the site, the staff will be suitably trained to assist customers who are less able and will have an access ramp available on site to use as required.

There is an existing disabled WC positioned on the ground floor of the space which will be retained and refurbished to a higher level of finish.

The installation of a new conservatory space and larger terrace area will allow for easier level wheelchair access for use of these areas as well as creating easier access into the site.

The first floor is proposed to be used as an additional dining space or private dining space, but equally, if required, the ground floor furniture can be repositioned to create group dining and cater for those in a wheelchair, or those less able to use the stairs.