

Design Accessibility Statement –Revision (D5 Policy)

The site has good road links with Harefield and local centres such as Rickmansworth, Watford, Northwood, Denham, Ruislip, and Uxbridge. There is off road parking provision for 78No. cars to serve the proposed development with a required 6% available for disabled users. In the case of emergency, the site has been designed to accommodate emergency service vehicles with access to all units. Refuse vehicles will be able to access the refuse stores distributed throughout the site using the main access road from Rickmansworth Road. All buildings can be accessed using easily found and visible entry points with no hidden or inaccessible approaches.

Accessibility for disabled people has been made as the focal point of design, which inhibits the process of taking them from the entrance towards their homes, while also keeping them safe from any harm. D5 Policy states that the accessibility of the disabled should not be made difficult and should be easily accessible. This is what we have implemented, using tactile pavements, as well as installing lifts for easier access to all floors. The floor plans have been designed with having an entrance of 1.5m for wheelchair users' accessibility, and made the doors open outwards to help with egress. The use of step free access to the building makes it easier for the wheelchair users to easily move in and out of the building independently. Separate pathways have been created for the wheelchair users to increase their accessibility to their parking has been a part of our design. Refuge areas have been designed with the stair cores in all the blocks to help residents with disability avoid fire hazards.

Mansion house, Stable block, Lakeview house, Orchard house and Garden house have been redesigned to cater to the needs of the public, which has been implemented by the addition of No. 35 units in total with No. 78 car park spaces, which have been designed following the D5 policy.