



Design and Access Statement

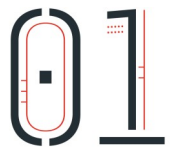
Siemens Healthineers

Mount Vernon Hospital,
Rickmansworth Road,
Northwood,
HA6 2RN

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1 - Introduction

This design and access statement has been created to support the planning application made by Siemens Healthineers, for their site at Mount Vernon Hospital.

The building will be located in the South side of the hospital site.

Prepared in accordance with National Planning policy guidance to achieve a high quality design, the scheme also considers the development need and overall site characteristics.

This document should be read in conjunction with the accompanying drawings and documents.

This application seeks temporary planning approval of 190 weeks.



2 - Site History

Siemens Healthineers purpose is to enable healthcare providers to increase value by empowering them on their journey towards expanding precision medicine, transforming care delivery, and improving patient experience, all enabled by digitalising healthcare.

Siemens Healthineers continues to assess the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic as a priority topic. They are working closely with the NHS and other care providers, as well as other industry partners, to address the unprecedented challenges posed by this crisis. Multiple task force teams across their organisation are meeting daily on the topic, operating at both global and local levels.

The proposed site for the temporary *Portakabin Limited* building is located within the existing Mount Vernon Hospital site boundary.

The temporary facility will require groundworks to install foundation piers, electrical connections to the building, water and foul connections to the building.

The proposal does not affect any Public Right of Ways.

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Planning History:

Mount Vernon Hospital has had several Planning Applications granted with similar uses.

Most recently application **3807/APP/2015/4220** was Granted for the exact same type of building close to the proposed site.



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3 - Site in context

Siemens Healthcare is located on at Mount Vernon Hospital.

The Hospital and Siemens Healthcare are accessible from Rickmansworth Road (Gate 3).

The development does not fall within any designated conservation zone or flood risk zone.

The proposed scheme will be sympathetic to the visual amenity of the site and will not dominate the overall character of the area.

There is overgrown shrubs and a very young tree that will need clearing to allow the install.

3.1 – Location of site

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Proposed development site in relation to the wider area



Proposed development site in close context

3.2 – Development site photographs

Please note:

Photographs show proposed grassed area where the temporary *Portakabin Limited* building will be located.

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4 - Design Principles and Context

4.1 – Use

Siemens Healthineers are applying for (temporary planning permission of 190 weeks to site the Portakabin modular building on their site at HA6 2RN.

The building will be used as offices and meeting space.

4.2 – Amount

The *Portakabin* building has an overall floor space of 90sqm which meets the requirements of Siemens Healthcare.

Please see the enclosed Plan and Elevations drawing attached to the application.

4.3 – Layout

The installed *Portakabin* building will be sited on a overgrown unused Scrub area which will be cleared and maintained.

The building will not encroach on any residential properties in the local area.

The building will not affect parking on site.

4.4 – Scale

The *Portakabin* building has overall dimensions of 5945mm height (Maximum – may differ due to site levels, 3910mm width and 12120mm length. Please see plan and elevations attached.

4.5 – Landscaping

The proposed *Portakabin* building will be sited on a Scrub area. There is overgrown shrubs and a very young tree that will need clearing to allow the install.

4.6 – Appearance

The *Portakabin* buildings are manufactured and prefabricated at *Portakabin*, New Lane, Huntington, York.

External walls are of a durable one-piece construction with high-performance, low-maintenance plastisol-coated galvanised steel cladding to offer protection against fire, extreme weather and accidental damage. The roof deck is of one-piece construction and is impact resistant.

Internally, the polyester-coated galvanised steel ceiling is designed to prevent condensation problems and has a low-maintenance finish.

The walls are of vinyl-faced plasterboard, providing a wipe-clean finish. The prefabricated nature of the buildings results in minimal impact on the environment in terms of both construction and use.

The Portakabin logo consists of the word "Portakabin" in a white, sans-serif font, set against a solid red rectangular background.

4.7 – Access

4.7.1 – Vehicle and Transport links

The proposed development site is contained within the site grounds.

There is to be no increase in staff numbers as part of this application.

4.7.2 – Access

Users will access the entrance of the building via a steps and a staircase constructed to comply with all relevant Building Regulations.

Other visitors will be able to access the building via steps that will also comply with part M.

5 – Conclusion

The *Portakabin* building has been chosen as a result of the flexible solution they provide.

They can be installed quickly enabling Siemens Healthcare to begin using the specifically fitted out building much more quickly than a traditional build, and it can easily be removed from site with little impact.

The Portakabin logo, featuring the word "Portakabin" in white sans-serif font on a red rectangular background.