



Design And Access Statement

35, Windermere Avenue, HA4 9RG

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Introduction



General

This Design and Access Statement (DAS) has been prepared by PUUC Architectural Design Solutions on behalf of the client. This document has been produced in support of a planning application for 35, Windermere Avenue, Ruislip.

Applicant

The applicant is Harshal Talati, who owns the dwelling privately.

Site Description

The site is the Southernmost of a series of twelve semi-detached bungalows on a residential street. The land area measures 550m²; the existing bungalow measures 148m². The site is enclosed on three sides by a combination of timber and wire fences, with the fourth side opening onto the public pavement.

Drawings

The following drawings have been submitted as part of the planning application and listed below:

- 50062 - 04 - 01 Location Site Block Plans
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Context



Existing site plan (Not to scale, oriented to North)

Local Context

The site is located within a residential area of Eastcote, in the outer areas of Ruislip, Greater London. The local residential form is dense, but regularly interspersed with generously sizeable parks and woodlands. Nearby is the Eastcote Underground Station, and behind the property is Newnham Junior School. The nearest junction of the A40 is 3.0 miles from the property, providing links to the City of London to the East, and the M40 and M25 to the West.



Adjacent properties on Windermere Avenue, of the same type.



The Northern end of Windermere Avenue.



A maintenance entrance to Newnham Junior School playing field; No.35's property boundary on the right.



Private roadside garages beside the playing field entrance.

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Site Analysis

Existing Site

The bungalow, of inter-war construction, initially followed the same design as the other 11 bungalows on Windermere Road, involving an L-shaped block which forms a highly dominant front bay on the property's frontage. The property was considerably extended in 1999 on the side and rear, resulting in a square form with a symmetrical hipped roof. Materials used are identical to those of the original bungalow and so the impact of the development is pleasing. A further extension, in the form of a rear conservatory, took place in 2006. A detached garage, pre-dating the original extension scheme stands at the Southern extremity of the garden. A gentle slope runs across the site, necessitating several steps from the conservatory door to ground level.



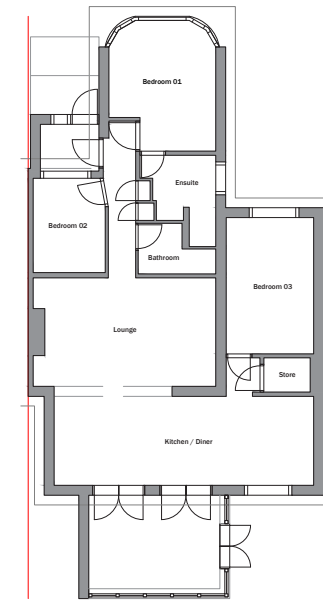
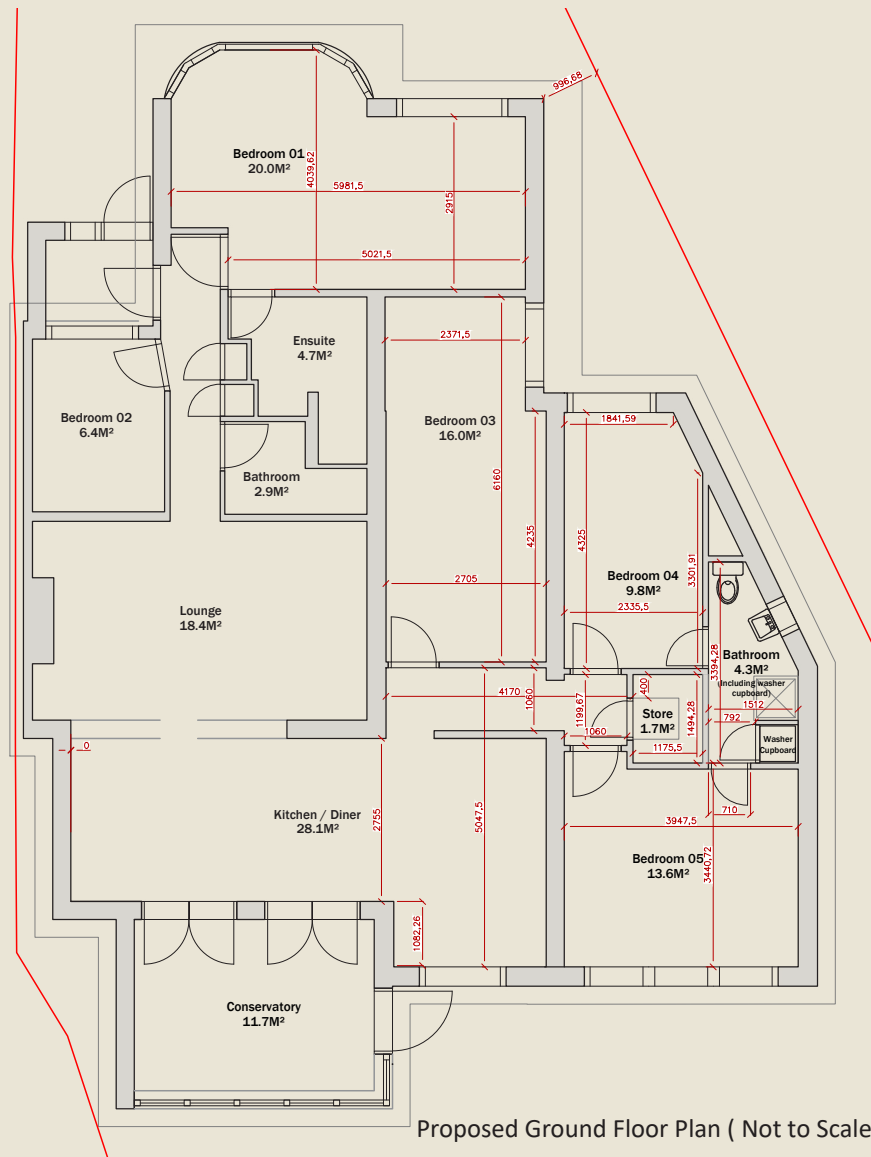


Site Access

A private driveway runs directly from the public highway to the front of the bungalow. The opening from the public highway is relatively obscured by hedges and walls, so holds some natural privacy. A double gate between the left of the house and the property boundary leads to the rear garden and is of sufficient width for a car. A clearly-defined driveway runs thereon to the aforementioned garage, although the driveway's long-term disuse is evident.

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Proposal



Existing Floor Plan (Not to scale)

The Proposal

The proposal selectively extends the existing bungalow into outside regions which are presently underused. The client has expressed that the side driveway is redundant, this space being taken for two new bedrooms, with utility room and toilet, accessed off the kitchen. This extension also runs into the kitchen, adding extra space in what is presently a very narrow room. A further extension widens the original front bay, increasing the area of two existing bedrooms.

The proposed extensions bring the building line approximately parallel with the West boundary, albeit with an allocated margin of no less than 1000mm for a foot passage to the rear garden. The existing frontal building line shall not be extended upon, and the surrounding natural enclosure flanking the road entrance shall largely eliminate any effect of increased massing on the street environment.



Proposed Site Plan (Not to scale, oriented to North)

Use

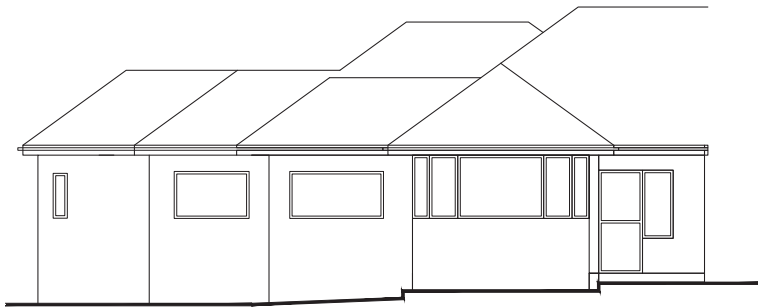
The proposal maintains the existing bungalow's use as a private family dwelling. Only the use of the detached garage shall change, with the driveway leading to it being removed.

Amount

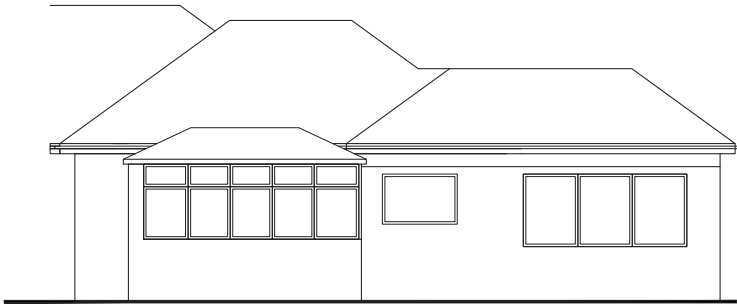
The proposal involves the addition of two bedrooms (9.8m² and 13.6m²); a combined shower room and utility room (4.3m²), shared between the two aforementioned bedrooms; and a food store (1.7m²). The existing main bedroom shall be extended from 11.9m² to 20.0m² and the secondary bedroom within the existing 1999 extension from 11.4m² to 16.0m². The area of the kitchen, owing to a small extension integral to the new bedroom block and the removal of the existing store, has been increased from 23.3m² to 28.1m². The overall extension scheme amounts to a GIA increase of 46.2m².

Appearance

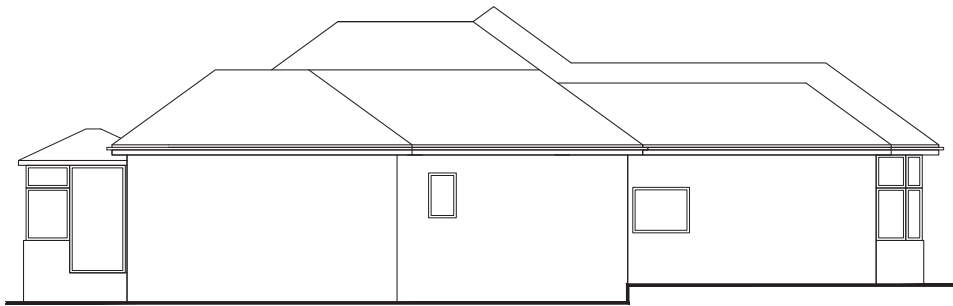
Previous extension work to the property has been faithful to the bungalow's original appearance, resulting in a much-extended property which continues to appear coherent and unified from street-level. This quality shall be continued in the proposed works; whereupon closely matching materials will be used. Whilst the proposed extensions are more complex in plan than the existing building, owing to the angled boundary it runs against, much of this is largely obscured by the West boundary. The roof, similarly, shall cause little impact owing to its reduced ridge height as compared with that existing.



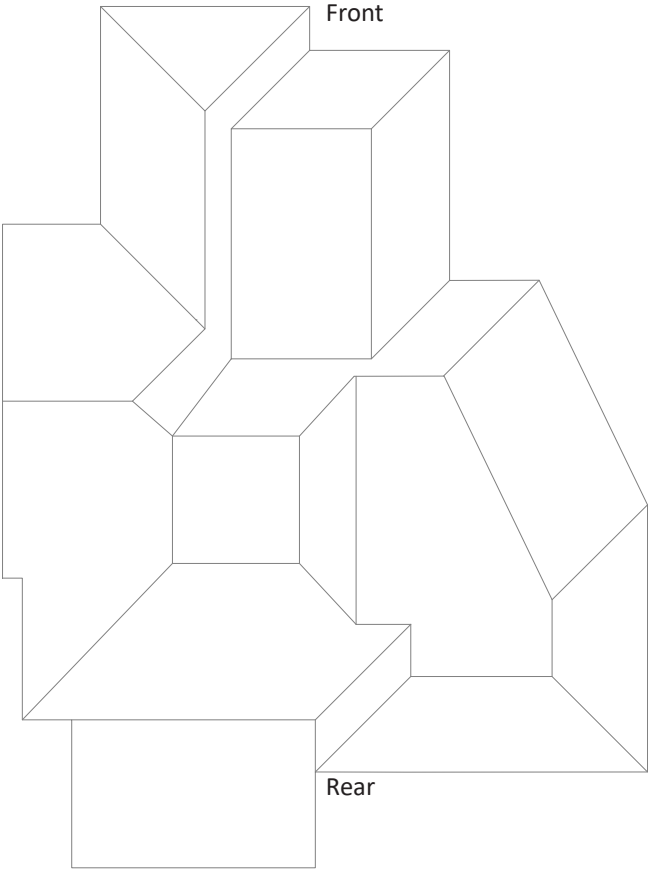
Proposed Front Elevation (Not to Scale)



Proposed Rear Elevation (Not to Scale)



Proposed Side (Left) Elevation (Not to Scale)



Indicative Proposed Roof Plan (Not to Scale)