

## **CONSTRUCTION METHOD STATEMENT**

### **Garage Block Site Between 43 – 44 and 45 – 46 Berkeley Close Ruislip**

Reference is made to the planning approval of this site 69863/APP/2019/3294 from Hillingdon Council and a request for the Construction Methodology in respect of work procedures to be developed and submitted before the works commence (Condition No. 5 as stated below)

*No site clearance or construction work shall take place until the details have been submitted, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority with respect to:*

1. *A method statement outlining the sequence of the development on the site including demolition, building works and tree protection measures.*

It is the paramount intention of the Principal Contractor under CDM 2015 Regulations, to protect the health, safety and welfare of all persons who are associated with or who may be affected by the proposed works.

The planning permission has been granted for the redevelopment of former garage site to provide a two storey building comprising 1 x two – bedroom and 1 x three – bedroom flat with associated parking and amenity space.

The only access/egress route for both pedestrian and vehicle use is from Berkeley Close. The development site is appropriately separated from neighbouring dwellings and the access/egress route offers reasonable width. Risks to pedestrians are associated with crossing the site access route from Berkeley Close and using that access route together with site vehicular traffic turning into and out of this route with consideration for road users passing the site access.

The site will be suitably contained and vehicular movements will be managed correctly and appropriately. All drivers will be made aware of site procedures and restrictions in advance of arrival. Suitable hazard warning signage will be posted at the entrance and other vulnerable areas.

## **SEQUENCE OF DEVELOPMENT**

## **TREE PROTECTION MEASURES**

It has been noted that there currently are no trees within the site boundary, photographic evidence provided, and as a consequence no tree protection measures are required to be taken.

The site in its present form is excessively overgrown with vegetation which has no ecological benefits and so will be cleared as part of the development. It will, however, be ensured that no clearance will take place until the site is appropriately fenced in accordance with the boundary treatment plan proposed in the landscape scheme (Condition No. 6).

## **DEMOLITION**

The proposed development comprises the demolition of existing garages. Inspections show that the garages are cast in concrete with corrugated metal sheet roofs. In light of this and the relatively small nature of the site, the use of a mini bulldozer will suffice for demolition activities as this will keep noise nuisance and general inconvenience to neighbours at a minimum.

All demolition activities, including eventual disposal of debris, will be carried out by a professional and licensed demolition contractor whose main responsibility will be the safety of those involved in any way during the demolition process. The contractor's team will also include a registered first aider who, at any given time, will be fully equipped to administer first aid using a first aid kit that will present on site at all times.

It will also be a key responsibility of the demolition contractor, to ensure only authorised personnel is on site during demolition procedure, which will be made clear via signage on site. While there is no risk of hazardous substances on site, care will be taken to ensure the work is carried out safely, including but not limited to, wearing safety shoes, wearing safety hats, wearing protective goggles, wearing ear protection etc.

## **BUILDING WORKS**

Before commencement of any building works the site will be appropriately prepared in the below sequence:

1. All site fencing/hoarding to have the appropriate safety signage as well as relevant contact details list
2. Site office present where site personnel can eat during breaks, store belongings and access first aid kit if needed
3. Portable loo to be present to ensure adequate sanitary facilities on site

Thereafter, once the above have been addressed, building works can commence with appropriate safety measures and procedures listed in this document.