# **Design and Access Statement**

Dimension 3 submits this Statement pursuant to the introduction of Design and Access Statements as required by Section 42 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

### **Site Address:**

Aplan 58-60 commercial Road, Lower Parkstone, Poole Dorset BH14 8UF

### **General Details**

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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.0 This Statement relates to the proposed application, which is made on behalf of APLan who are the current long term leaseholders of the building.
- 1.1 The address of the proposed site is 58-60 Commercial Road, Lower Parkstone. Poole. The building is the long offices of Aplan.
- 1.2 The proposed application will be for a Change of Use Application to convert the one bedroomed self-contained apartments on the second and third floor to offices and rest rooms.

#### 2. The Site

- 2.1 Currently on the site there is a three storey Office Building built probably In the early1960's. With the proposed change of use there will be no external alterations.
- 2.2 The property in within the Ashley Cross Conservation Area

# 3. Quantifying the Development

3.1 There are no external alterations.

### 4. Appearance

4.1 There are no external alterations.

#### 5. Lavout

5.1 The proposed internal room layouts will be similar to those shown on the proposed drawings enclosed with this application.

# 6. Planning Policies

- 6.1 Strategic Context.
  - National Planning policy Framework (NPPF)

### 6.2 Poole Core Strategy (Adopted February 2009)

The following policies are listed as applying to this application.

- PCS05 Broad Locations for Residential Development
- PCS15 Access and Movement
- PCS23 Local Distinctiveness
- PCS24 Design and Access Statements
- PCS25 Self Reliant Communities
- PCS26 Delivering Locally Distinctive, Self-Reliant Places
- PCS28 Dorset Heath International Designation.
- PCS37 The Role of Developer Contributions in Shaping Places

#### 6.3 Poole Site Specific Allocations & Development Management Policies

DPD (Adopted April 2012)

- DM1 Design
- DM7 Accessibility and Safety
- DM8 Demand Management
- DM9 Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity

# 6.4 Supplementary Planning Guidance/Documents

Parking & Highway Layout in Development 2011

A Design Code SPG.

## 6.5 The Dorset Heathlands Planning Framework

### 7. Landscaping

7.1 None

### 8. Flood Risk and Sustainable Drainage.

- 8.1 A flood risk assessment has not been carried out.
- 8.2 The disposal of surface water will be as existing.

#### 9. Trees

9.1 No Trees

# 10. Listed Building and Historic Buildings

- 10.1 The site is within a Conservation Area.
- 10.2 There are Historic Buildings nearby.

#### 11. Access.

11.1 All existing

### 12. Transport

- 12.1 The area is served by a local bus services which provides an ample bus service between Poole and Bournemouth and beyond.
- 12.2 The local train station is within walking distance providing a train service for the south coast and beyond.

#### 13 Services.

13.1 The site is already provided with existing services.

#### 14. Biodiversity.

14.1 None

#### Conclusion

The proposed change of use will provide our client with much needed office space.
Utilising two apartment which are seldom used and not available on the open market