

The approved plans allow for the installation of under floor heating along with insulation and vapour barriers. The concrete floors will be replaced with a breathable lime putty perimeter as set out in the plans and conform to any additional requirements which may be applied by Building Control Inspectors. This is a partial discharge of this condition.

The condition states:

10. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE: DETAILS OF PROPOSED STONE AND WOOD FLOORING

Before any works to the internal building's floors are commenced manufactures details of the proposed stone and wood flooring shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority and shall be implemented as may be approved.

As for timetable exact timings are difficult to provide given the scope of these works and the price and availability of the required building materials, although unlikely to be completed until late spring next year. However, it makes sense to start in the study which is least used, and nearest the boiler, and work south towards the snug/tv room and then east through the dining room. In terms of flooring we have not made any decisions past the Reception Hall on what precisely to use, but we want to make these rooms more habitable to allow us to move round the house as works progress. For the remaining rooms timely requests will be made under this condition.

Study

I appreciate that the plans state an engineered wood floor in this room but if possible we would prefer to have a stone floor, which would be more durable and require less maintenance. We would prefer tumbled Dijon limestone laid in an opus pattern using a limestone coloured grout and sealed with a neutral matt sealing compound. This limestone is supplied by a number of UK companies, imported from producers in Egypt, and is described as an extremely hard wearing natural stone with neutral beige and grey tones and mineral and fossil detail. I attach an image of the stone and the opus pattern together with sizes in millimetres.

Hall (next to the Study)

This is currently floored with more modern ceramic tiles, some of which are missing or damaged. However, they will not survive the proposed works. We would like to move the flooring from the Reception Hall and relay it in the Hall next to the Study.

Play Room

The floor here to be lifted, cleaned and relayed as it is.

Reception Hall

The existing flooring here to be moved to the Hall next to the Study. We have not made any detailed decisions on the flooring here as yet. An image of the current flooring used here, and in the Play Room, is attached.