

Proposed Outbuildings at:

Cookham Dene Chistlehurst BR7 5QW

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This Design & Access Statement has been prepared by Clague Architects in support of a Detailed Planning Application for;

Erection of a lean-to glass house, kitchen garden, tennis court and associated loggia and changes to existing garage building

at

Cookham Dene, Chistlehurst, BR7 5QW

The purpose of this document is to provide a supporting statement for the application and to explain the background, site analysis and the design process which has led to the current proposals to enable statutory consultees, neighbours and members of the public to easily gain an understanding of what is proposed. Please refer to DHA Planning Statement

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Clague Architects LLP

Clague are a multi-disciplinary practice of architects, urbandesigners and heritage specialists based in Canterbury, London & Harpenden. The practice has extensive experience of dealing with sites involving complex planning issues. Clague have been appointed to prepare the main package of drawings for the agent and applicant.

Full Project Design Team

- Clague Architects Architects
- Farlam and Chandler Landscape Architects
- HCUK Heritage Impact assessment
- KB Ecology PEA and Bat Survey and Mitigation Strategy report
- Marcus Foster Arboricultural Design &
- Consultancy Arboricultural survey Impact
- Assessment and Method Statement Report
- (BS5837:2021)

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2.1 Site Location

The estate of Cookham Dene is located in Chislehurst, directly south of central London. Chislehurst has a population of about 15,500 and is one of the most desirable places to live in London's borough of Bromley. Although there are a significant number of retirees, the area is primarily made of families and professionals.

Chislehurst boasts both strong links to the city with several bus routes as well as direct rail into London and Kent. Positioned within the M25, Chislehurst is only a fifteen minute drive away from the London Orbital ,and so therefore well connected to the rest of the UK.



Fig1. Position of Cookham Dene in relation to London

2.2 Site Context

Sitting on the edge of Cookham Dene Close, the Estate is accessed via a secluded thoroughfare and wrought iron gates. At 3.9 acres, the grounds of the house consist of formal gardens to the south of the main house with a larger expanse of grasslands to the east of the buildings containing an orchard, vegetable patches and tennis court.

To the south east of the estate is Petts Wood Ancient Woodland, however some of this is replanted.

In the last few decades, the area surrounding Cookham Dene has become increasingly built up. A number of new homes were constructed in the land directly to the south and west of the site, forming Cookham Dene Close. The close comprises a collection of detached houses that have no specific style or uniformity.

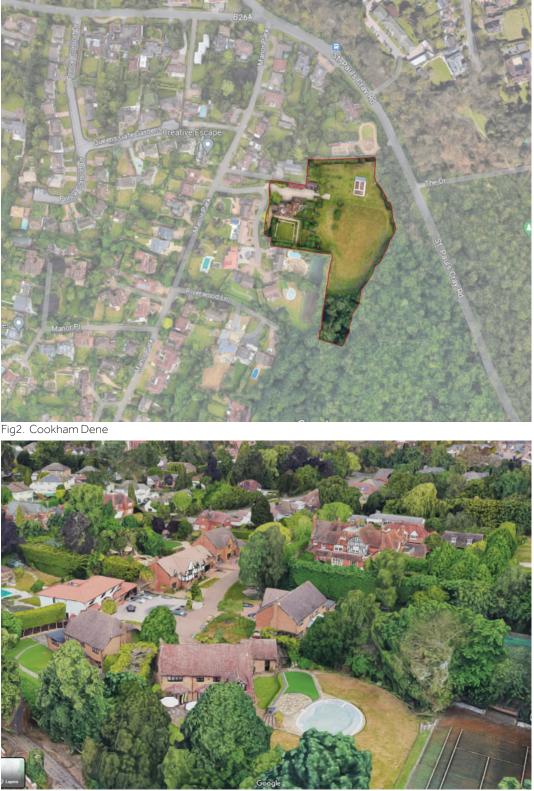






Fig3. The main house surrounded by Cookham Dene Close shown by Google Aerial

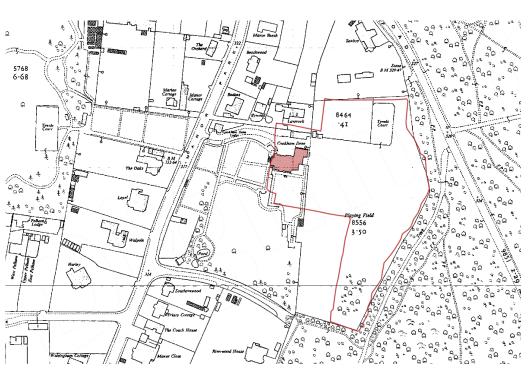
2.3 Cookham Dene History

Cookham Dene was built in 1882 by the renowned Victorian architect Sir Aston Webb. Having set up his practice within around 1882, Cookham Dene is one of his earlier project's and is noted by Nikolaus Pevsner as being idiomatic of Norman Shaw. Having been built as a home for his brother, this is a very early example of Webb's work, prior to his involvement in Buckingham Palace and the Royal College of Science and therefore does not have the same refinement as later buildings.

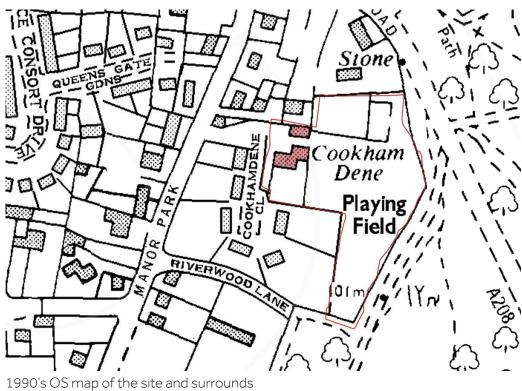
The accompanying Heritage Impact Assessment produced by HCUK Group contains more detailed information about the historic development of the building and site.



Sourthern Elevation of Cookham Dene, 1970's



1960's OS map of the site prior to the construction of Cookham Dene Close



2.4 Existing Site Photographs



Key Plan

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1. View of main house and ancilliary buildings (including Garage) from across the green belt land.



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3. View of North edge green belt



4. View of existing garage building

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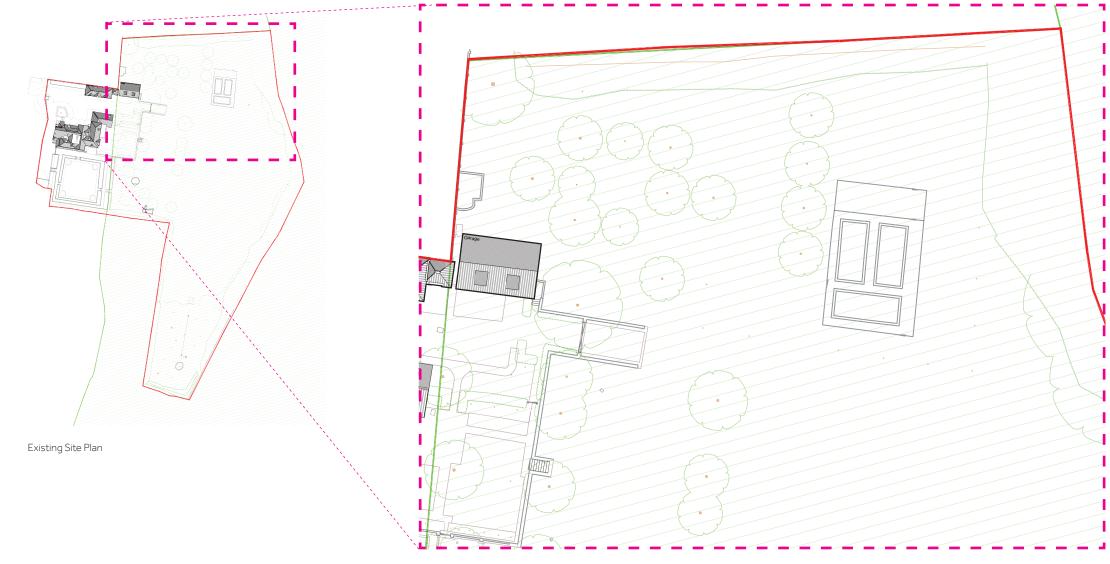
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3 Design proposals

3.1 The existing site:

The Cookham Dene estate is set within the Chislehurst Conservation Area and is on the boundary of the green belt. The proposals in this application are all set within the green belt area of the site.

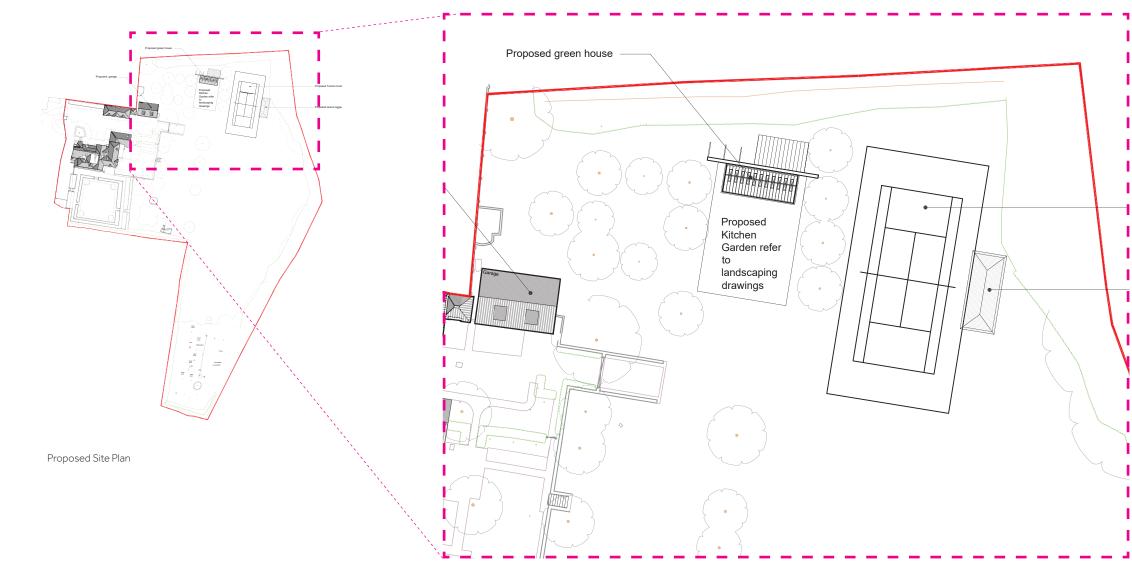


Existing Site Plan extract

3.2 Proposed site plan:

The proposals include the following:

- 1. Alterations to the existing garage building to create a spacious garage for 2 cars.
- 2. The creation of a kitchen garde, glass house and associated storage to the north of the site.
- 3. The installation of a new tennis court and associated loggia structure adjacent to the kitchen garden.
- 4. A number of existing trees will be removed. Please refer to the arboricultural survey impact assessment and method statement report accompanying this application for details of proposed mitigation measures.

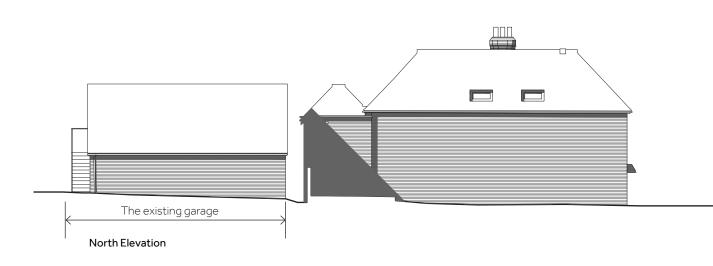


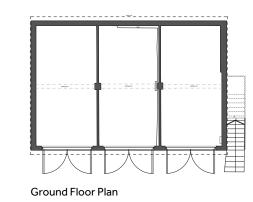
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3.3 Existing Garage Building

The existing garage was built post 1980 and consists of a red brick building with a Kent peg tile roof with 2 dormer windows. 3 painted timber garage doors are on the principal elevation of the structure. A metal stair runs up the side of the building providing access to the first floor accommodation.

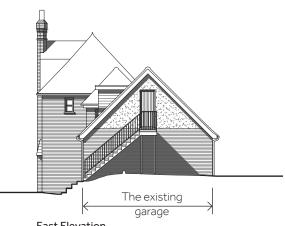




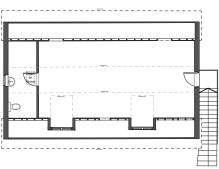




West Elevation







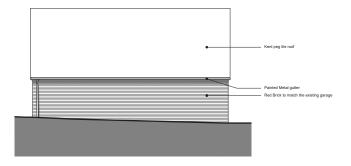
First Floor Plan

3.4 Proposed Garage:

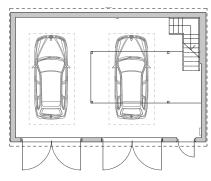
The footprint of the garage will remain as the existing garage. The south elevation will be remodelled to include 2 larger painted timber garage doors and a single painted timber pedestrian door . The existing roof and dormer windows will be refurbished with new Kent peg tiles.

The existing external metal stair on the eastern elevation will be removed. The existing door opening will be at first floor level will be blocked up and rendered to match the existing render and masonry.

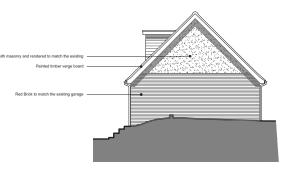




North Elevation



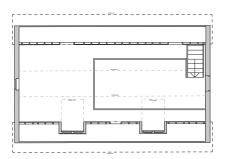
Ground Floor Plan



East Elevation



West Elevation

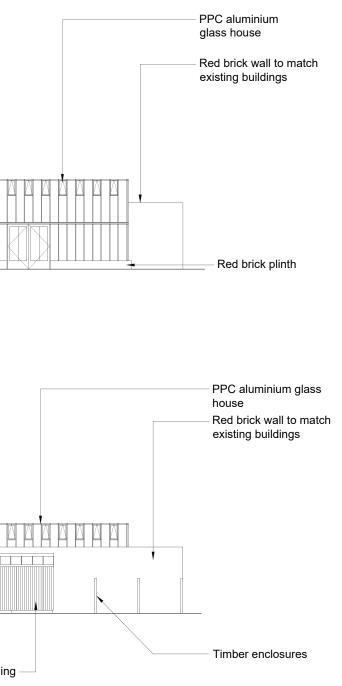


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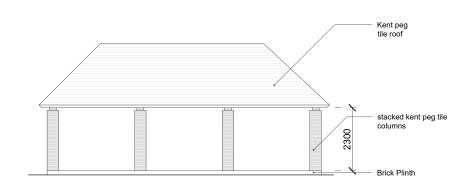
3.5 Proposed kitchen garden and glass house

A new kitchen garden with a glass house is proposed to the North of the site. The garden will be enclosed on the East, PPC aluminium glass house West and South sides. The North side will be bounded by a new red brick wall and the proposed glass house. Red brick wall to match existing buildings New composting enclosures and a timber lean-to storage shed will be constructed on the North side of the wall. Timber cladding Elevation D Red brick plinth Elevation A (1:100) Elevation B (1:100) Red brick wall to match existing buildings PPC aluminium glass house Timber cladding 10000 Elevation E Refer to landscaping drawing for details of garden Elevation C (1:100) Elevation D (1:100) Red Timber cladding brick Timber plinth enclosures

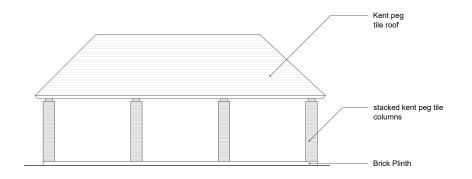


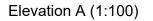
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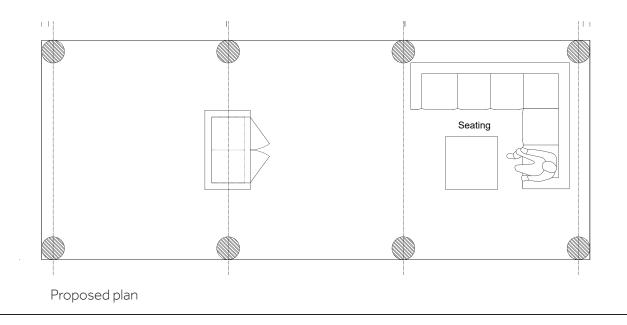
Adjacent to the proposed kitchen garden a new tennis court is proposed. A small open sided structure is also proposed. The structure is designed in traditional materials to match the existing buildings on the site with Kent peg tile roof and stacked Kent peg tile columns.

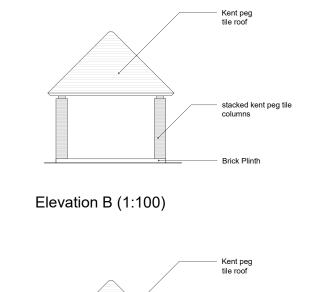


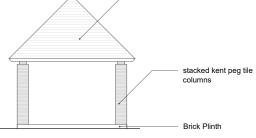












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4 Summary

The proposals set out in this application will provide new leisure facilities and ancillary storage to support the main house. The new structures are designed to be in keeping with the existing historic buildings on the site.

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