

PARKING PROVISION DETAILS

THE GREEN HOUSE: 16 – 22 ST THOMAS' ROAD STOPSLEY LU2 7UY



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INTRODUCTION

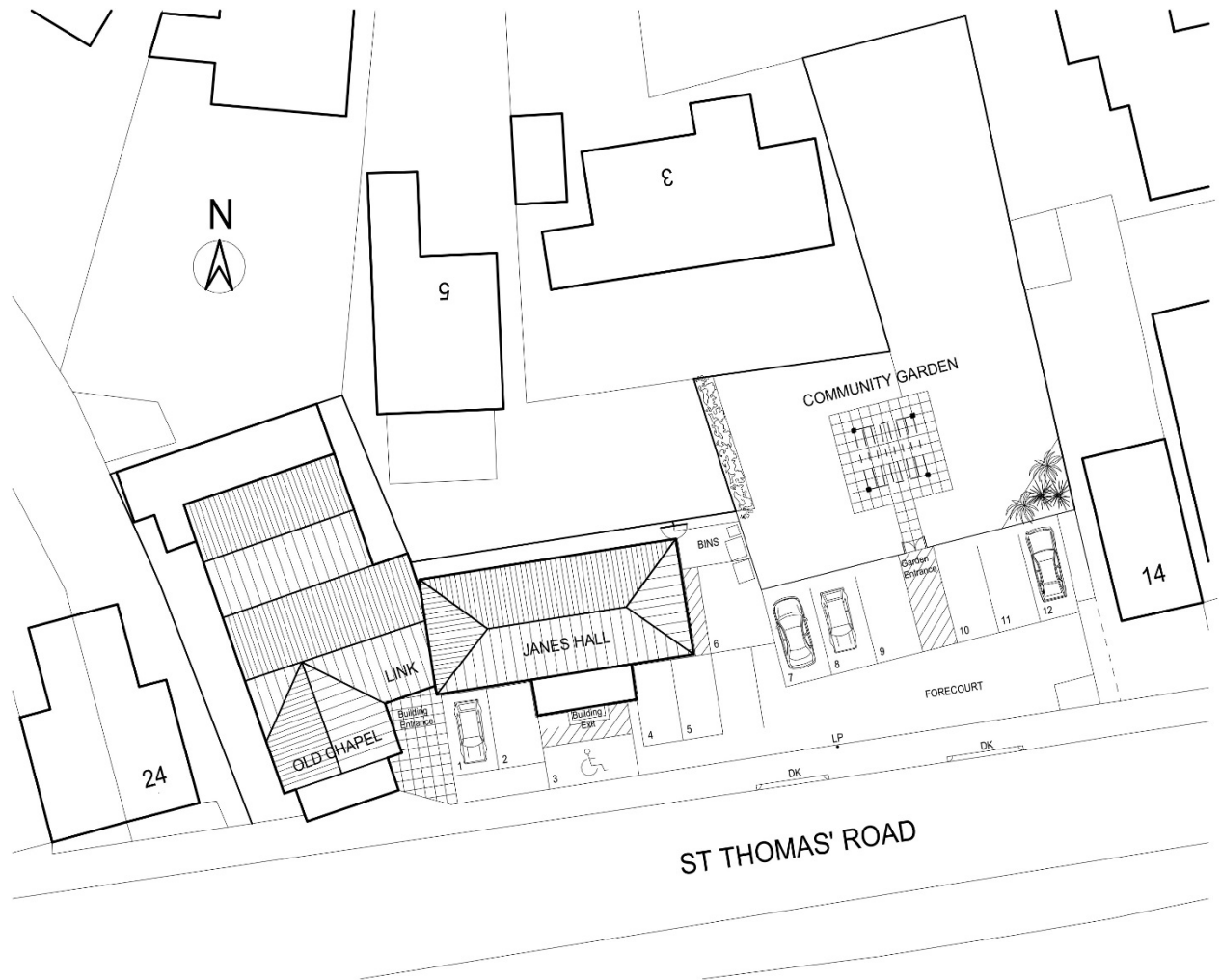
The Green House is run by Stopsley Baptist Church for its own activities and as a hub for various community projects, the premises altered to this use around 2000 when the church worship moved to larger, new premises further along St Thomas’ Road. The Green House is set within two buildings, the former SBC chapel, originally built in 1869, rebuilt in 1902 and the Janes Hall added in 1954, both now linked by a main entrance and circulation space constructed in 2002, which also houses a lift and staircase to serve meeting rooms and offices at first floor level in the roof of the former chapel. A third element has been developed more recently in 2019, with the provision of a Community Garden on the east side of the buildings, where church members and local residents tend a managed garden for the use of local community groups and wider residents.

Currently the Janes building is not used pending refurbishment. Previously it was used as a hall in conjunction with the churches requirements. It is now proposed to use it more fluidly with the link to the garden and the Old Chapel uses. This includes opening mornings and afternoons on weekdays and weekends to serve the community as an area for informal meeting of garden users running gardening groups and local parents with children running hobby sessions. In the weekday evenings it would offer additional space to the Old Chapel use for the Greenhouse mentoring 1 to 1 sessions and for community meetings and displays. Approximate numbers and uses are shown on the table below:

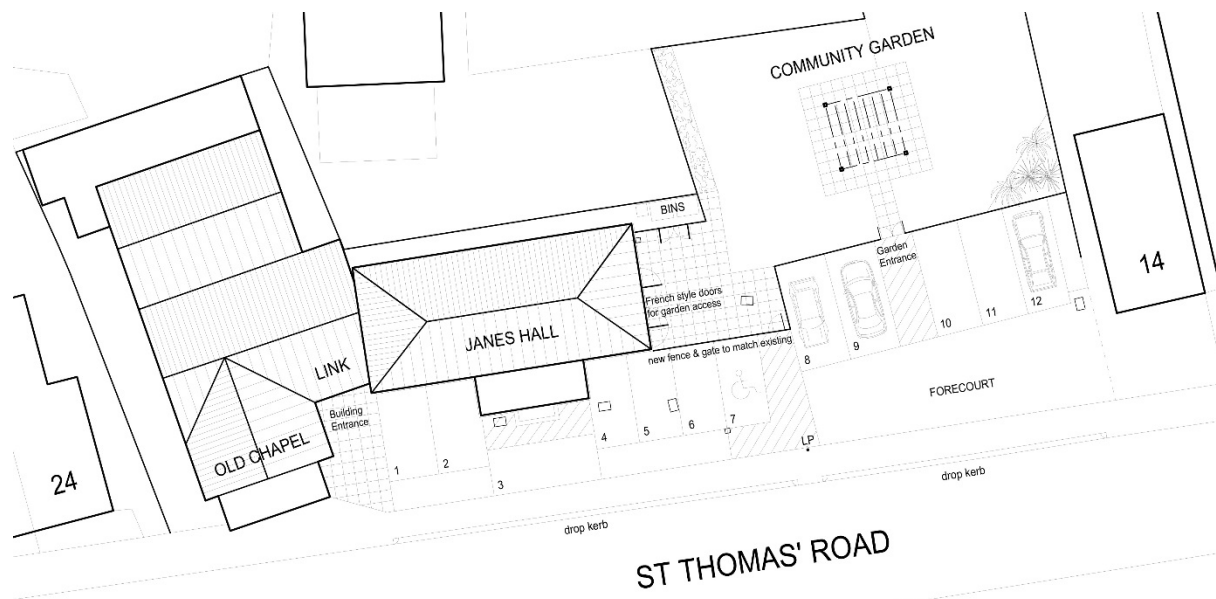
Current Use	Time	Numbers						
		M	T	W	T	F	S	S
OLD CHAPEL								
Greenhouse mentoring session	10:00 - 12:00	0	0	0	0	0	20	0
Greenhouse mentoring sessions	18:00 - 21:30	0	20	20	20	0	0	0
Singing - café / tent project	09:30 - 17:00	0	0	0	60	0	0	0
SBC Youth meeting	10:00 - 12:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Office	09:00 - 17:00	5	5	5	5	5	0	0
JANES BUILDING								
Open meeting garden groups	09:00 - 17:00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenhouse mentoring 1 to 1	18:00 - 21:30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Community group use	18:00 - 21:30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COMMUNITY GARDEN								
Summer visitors (May - October)	10:00 - 19:00	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Winter visitors (November - April)	10:00 - 16:00	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

Proposed Use	Time	Anticipated Numbers						
		M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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The buildings and garden are fully accessible and partly served by a forecourt directly accessed off St Thomas' Road with limited drop kerb that provides access to parking spaces for twelve vehicles, including bay No.3, which is a dedicated accessible space.



BLOCK PLAN AS EXISTING



BLOCK PLAN AS PROPOSED

PROPOSAL

The number of existing parking spaces would remain the same as there is no change in use or capacity of the existing buildings. There would be little change in layout, with the accessible parking relocated to bay No.7, although bay No.1 is also equally able to fulfil this requirement. The existing dropped kerbs are then proposed to be extended to give improved access from the road. All this is in line with Pre Application advice received prior to this full planning submission.

With the number of users on any one particular part of the day not anticipated being above a maximum of 115, with a good number of those being foot traffic and children from the local neighbourhood (in relation to garden visits particularly), also being in an area readily accessible to public transport, the existing 12 parking bays is deemed sufficient. If this is calculated on a gross area basis of the building footprint of 350sqm, taking a standard of 1 parking space required for every 30sqm of building, the requirement would equate to the 12 parking bays provided.



Existing parking – accessible bay



Existing frontage dropped kerb