Design & Access Statement for an enlarged extension at Corner Green Swanmore

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This statement is to be read in conjunction with the application documents and general layout drawing Existing Plans & Elevations Drg. No. 24001 P001.

Current Situation; the proposed site for the application is at the south western end of the Corner Green plot and set behind an existing brick and flint wall (please see photograph below).



Photograph of the existing brick and flint wall from the Droxford Road

Massing & the History of the Site; the submitted proposal seeks to combine the existing two structures behind the brick & flint wall into one simplified form. Interesting historic Victorian maps (see over page) indicate that previously there had been built form in this location.



An extract from an 1880s map and corresponding aerial photograph

Materials; the materials have been selected to *blend in* with the local architecture and match the materials of the existing structures.

- The existing brick and flint walls are to be retained.
- The wall onto the garden (which is not visible from the public domain) is to be formed from vertical rough sawn timber slats on a plinth of Rudgewick Rough Multi bricks
- The non-visible existing membrane roof is to be reconfigured to infill between the current extension and the boundary brick and flint wall.
- The existing timber doors are to be retained and reused.
- The new windows will be a 'combination' type window system, with PPC Aluminium frames to the exterior and painted timber frames internally.
- A traditional plain clay coping will be installed over the existing brick and flint wall (please see precedent images below).



Precedent images of traditional plain clay copings

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Access; the proposed structure utilises the existing access which is fully accessible for wheelchair users.

Consultation; the two adjoining neighbours were fully consulted about the proposals and have verbally confirmed their approval to the scheme.

Landscaping; the existing planting will be retained and enhanced.

Environmental issues; the completed scheme will greatly improve the energy efficiency of the existing structure with improved insulation.

Water rain; water from the roof will be collected in a rain water butt and any excess flow into an adjacent water garden.

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