

DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT FOR
FIRST FLOOR FLAT, 50 GRASMERE ROAD, LONDON, N10 2DJ

Background

The application property is a first floor flat with two bedrooms, a lounge, a kitchen space, a bathroom & separate WC in Grasmere Road, N10. The flat is accessed at ground floor level through a communal area and via a staircase leading to the first floor. The property is found in the Muswell Hill Conservation area.

The proposal involves the formation of dormers to the rear roof slope & to the outrigger roof slope to create a bedroom & a shower room; see accompanying elevation drawings. The proposal is similar to a number of dormer extensions found in Grasmere Road.

Both dormer windows are subordinate to their respective roof slopes and are so sized to preserve the dominance of the roof pitch. They are also in keeping with the character, size and scale of the host building as a whole. Consequently, there is no visual of these dormers from the street scene.

The dormer windows will be set into the roof slopes, being positioned up from the eaves and with the back addition dormer set well away from the end back addition wall. From the garden level, the new outrigger dormer will not be visible due to the existing two storey projection, which will obscure it. It is felt that the proposal does not create any new problems of overlooking.

It will not adversely affect the privacy and amenities of any adjoining property and would not adversely affect the residential character of the area.

It is considered to be consistent with Haringey's policies in respect of 'General Principles', 'Quality Design', & in relation to their 'Design Guidance' & the Council's 'Housing' Supplementary Planning Document.

Physical

The site runs south west to north east, front to back & has no other outbuildings positioned on it. There is a garden to the rear, but this is not 'available' to the first floor flat. The position of drainage & gas lines is not known. There is no known history of crime or disorder on the site.

The loft will principally be constructed on site with materials brought in to enable this.

Access

The new bedroom & shower room will be reached via the proposed staircase.

Social

The social impact on the locality is negligible

Economic

The economic impact on the locality is negligible

Planning Policy

The scheme has been designed in sympathy with the Council's policies.

Immediate neighbours have been advised of the proposal.