

HG/JF/2676

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Kirklees Council
Development Management
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Dear Sir/Madam

Alterations and porch extension to 22 Heys Road, Thongsbridge.

Please find enclosed a planning application for alterations and a porch extension to 22 Heys Road, Thongsbridge.

Our client is wishing to upgrade and enhance their home. The house was constructed in 1959 and has seen relatively minor improvements since. The house had a porch extension and some minor internal alterations in the 1970s. Our clients' main aim is to enhance the thermal performance of the house as well as creating a contemporary appearance, while retaining the charm of their home.

The house is uninsulated, and in some areas features a single skin of blockwork with a layer of external timber cladding. The thermal performance of the house is the main issue our client is wanting to rectify. The addition of a mixture of internal and external wall insulation is to be applied depending on the existing structural build up.

The timber cladding which is currently installed has now reached the end of its serviceable life. These areas will be insulated externally, with a coat of buff coloured render applied. The areas of existing stonework form an uninsulated cavity wall. These will be insulated internally. The external stonework in these areas will be cleaned and re-pointed.

Our client wishes to replace the existing windows in the house with a mixture of high performance aluminium framed windows and doors. These will further enhance the thermal performance of the property.

To the front elevation (north east) will see the existing porch demolished, and a new feature porch constructed. This will be finished in standing seam zinc and buff render. On the side elevation of this porch will sit a discreet air source heat pump. This will be used as the primary space heating solution for the home.

The upper floor will see roof lights enlarged to allow our clients to benefit from the stunning views over the valley. There are also internal alterations including pushing the attic room dwarf walls back to enlarge the rooms. The chimney stack is also being removed above the first floor ceiling to create additional space in the upstairs bathroom.

The south elevation will see new windows. These windows are large and have the potential to cause over heating through insolation in summer. A proposed brise soleil will prevent this from occurring.

In light of the above we believe the proposed development accords with both national and local planning policy. I hope you agree that the attached drawings and supporting information are sufficient for you to validate and subsequently approve this planning application.

For and on behalf of Acumen Designers & Architects Ltd

Yours faithfully

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