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MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB

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Lead by designer, Jake Hinchliffe, The practice has built it's reputation on engaging with clients briefs and turning their thoughts into amazing, well crafted, homes and spaces.

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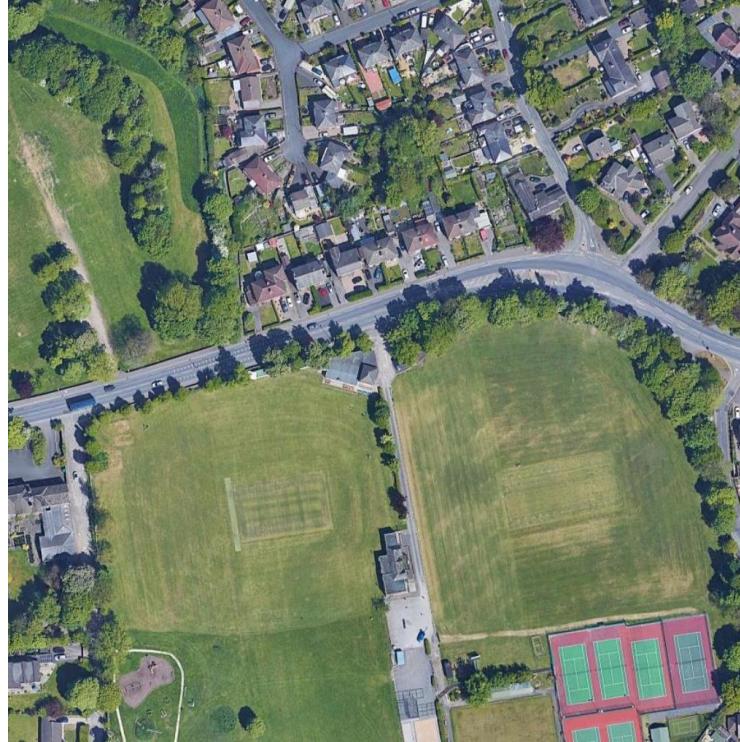


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INTRODUCTION.



This supporting document has been prepared for the proposed development at Moorlands Cricket Club, Mirifield, WF14 9HP. The proposed development sees the erection of a double-storey side extension and single-storey front/rear extension to the existing clubhouse, erection of first floor balcony, with associated internal and external alterations. This statement has been prepared using a combination of site information and local plan information.

This document supports the full planning application, where the development aims to enhance the club's facilities to better serve members, visitors and the wider community of Mirifield and Kirklees, while respecting the site's character and surroundings.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB.



Moorlands Cricket Club has a long and rich history as a key part of the local sporting community. Established in 1884, the club has been a hub for cricket enthusiasts of all ages, fostering a strong sense of community and sportsmanship. Over the years, Moorlands has grown in both size and reputation, hosting numerous local and regional matches, while supporting the development of grassroots cricket.

The club has continuously evolved to meet the needs of its members and visitors, with past improvements to its facilities ensuring a welcoming environment for players and spectators alike. The proposed extension is the next step in Moorlands's ongoing commitment to providing high-quality sport facilities for the community.

SITE CONTEXT.



MEMORIAL PARK ENTRANCE



HUDDERSFIELD ROAD HOUSES



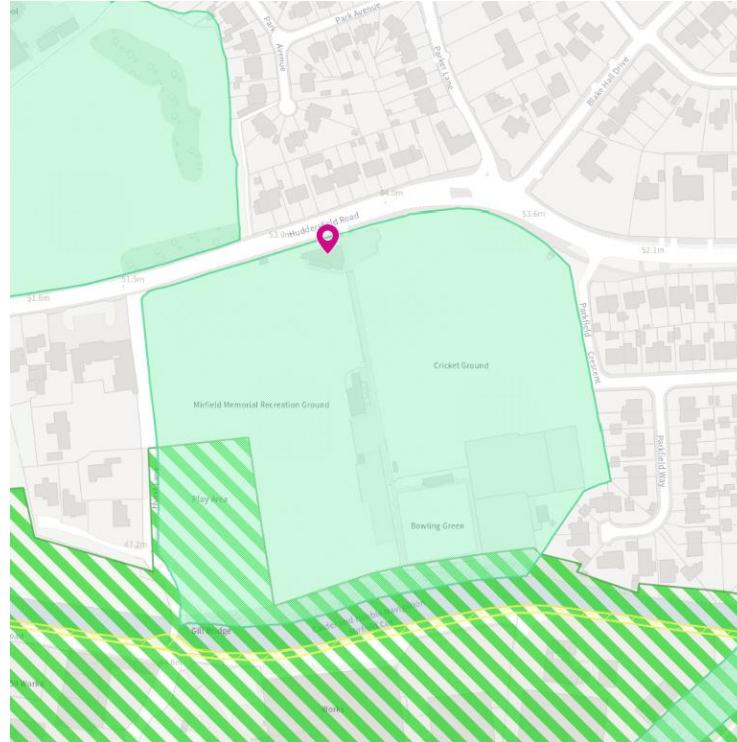
MIRFIELD CRICKET CLUB



TENNIS COURTS

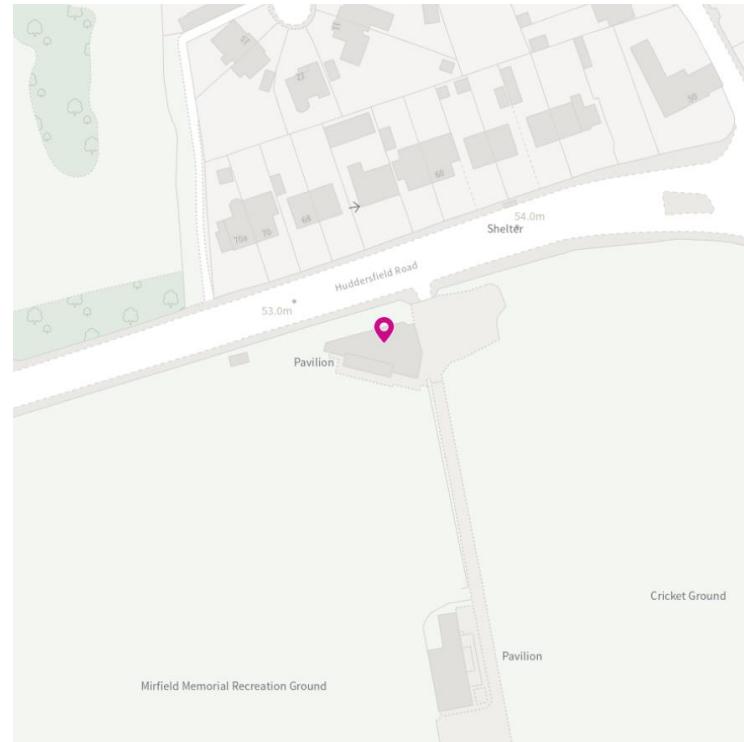
The site is situated within Mirfield Memorial Park, off of Huddersfield Road. Within Mirfield Memorial Park, there are two cricket clubs: Moorlands Cricket Club and Mirfield Cricket Club. Tennis courts are also located to South-East of the park. Towards the South-West of the park, gym equipment and a playground area can be found. Across Huddersfield Road, lies a mixture of semi-detached and detached houses.

LAND ALLOCATION.



The site is designated as Urban Green Space, under the adopted Kirklees Local Plan. This allocation supports sports, recreational facilities and uses. The principle of development is acceptable.

TREES.



There are no protected trees on the site of the proposed works. The boundary wall of the Cricket Club is lined with trees, however no trees are proposed to be removed. The proposed works have been designed to preserve the existing landscape.

PLANNING HISTORY AT MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB.



Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995

PLANNING PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT

Application Number: 96/62/90500/E4

To: S M SIMPSON

For: DEWSBURY MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB

In pursuance of its powers under the above-mentioned Act and Order the Kirklees Council (hereinafter called "The Council") as Local Planning Authority hereby permits:-

ERECTION OF EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS TO CRICKET PAVILION

At: Dewsbury Moorlands Cricket Club Huddersfield Road, Mirfield.

In accordance with the plan(s) and applications submitted to the Council on

29 Mar 1996, subject to the condition(s) specified hereunder:-

96/62/90500/E4 – ERECTION OF EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS TO CRICKET PAVILION.

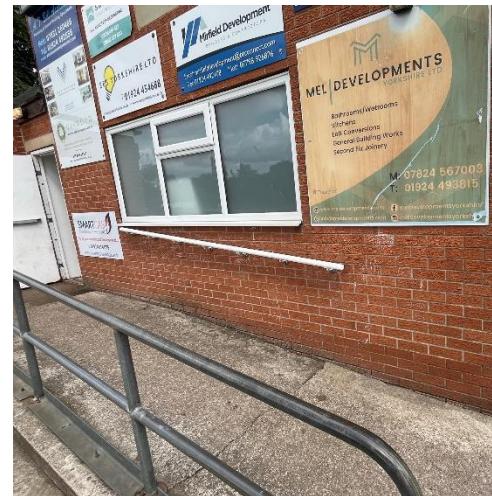
The club has previously been extended, under the application 96/62/90500/E4. This application saw the proposal of a double storey extension, to accommodate for changing rooms. This application was approved and works completed.

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EXISTING MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB (EXTERNAL PHOTOGRAPHS).

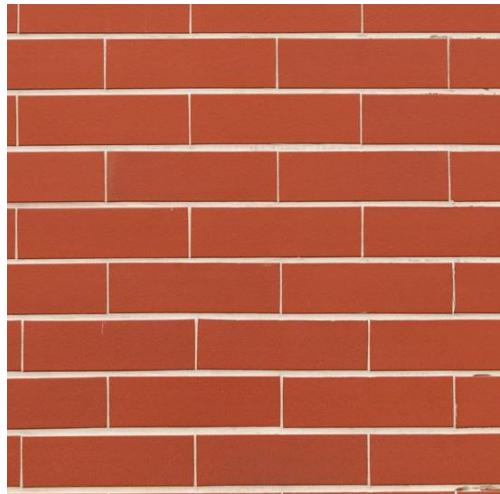


EXISTING MOORLANDS CRICKET CLUB (INTERNAL PHOTOGRAPHS).



EXISTING MATERIAL PALETTE.

1



RED BRICK

Used on the external walls of the clubhouse.

2



TIMBER CLADDING

Used on the rear wall of the clubhouse.

3



WHITE RENDER

Used on the cricket scoreboard building.

LIMITATIONS OF THE EXISTING CLUBHOUSE.

The existing clubhouse provides essential facilities for players and spectators, but requires modernisation and additional space to accommodate growing demand for the club. The existing clubhouse has several spatial and functional limitations that hinder its effectiveness as a place for the community. The internal layout is constrained by irregularly positioned columns and tapered walls, which create inefficiencies in space utilisation and restrict flexibility for different uses. These structural elements result in awkward circulation routes and prevent the spaces from being sociable, which a cricket clubhouse must be. The lack of a clear, open-plan design makes it difficult to adapt the clubhouse for multi-purpose use, such as a clubhouse for sporting events, but also as a sociable venue. Alongside this, the existing clubhouse bar and back of house areas mean that the club cannot function to its full potential during peak season.

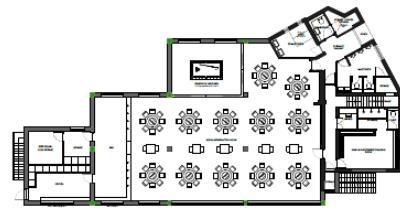
INTRODUCTION TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT.

The proposed works include:

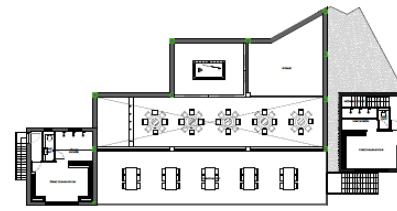
- Double storey side extension, which mirrors the existing double storey extension, which will accommodate for a kitchen, bar/coffee station, storage and cold storage, on the ground floor. On the first floor, a female changing room, shower and toilet will be incorporated.
- A single storey front/rear extension, following the demolition of the tapered rear wall.
 - Balcony on first floor.
 - Additional changing rooms to improve player facilities.
 - Expanded and modernised clubhouse for social and community events.
- Existing double storey block ground floor changing room window to be moved to side elevation.

PROPOSED PLANS AND ELEVATIONS.

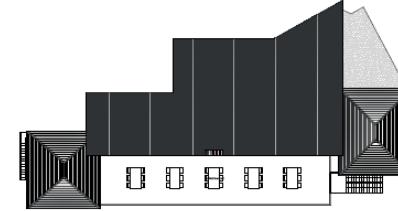
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GROUND FLOOR PLAN
1:200



FIRST FLOOR PLAN
1:200



ROOF PLAN
1:200



FRONT ELEVATION
1:100



SIDE ELEVATION
1:100



REAR ELEVATION
1:100



SIDE ELEVATION
1:100



REVISION	DESCRIPTION	DATE	BY

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FRONT ELEVATION.



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SEATING AREA



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BAR AREA



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BAR AND SEATING AREA.



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POOL/STAGE AREA



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PROPOSED DOUBLE STOREY EXTENSION.



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BALCONY IN RELATION TO CONTEXT.



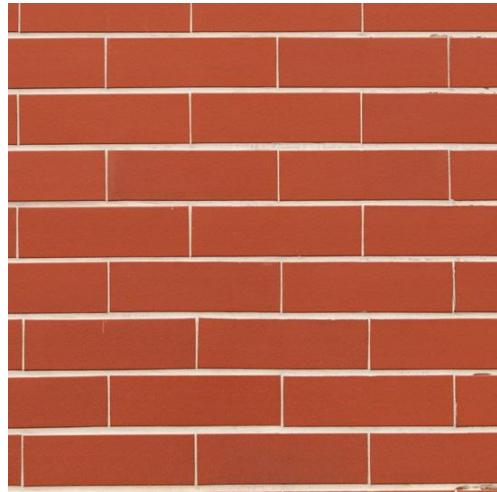
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PROPOSED MATERIAL PALETTE.

1



RED BRICK

Used on the external walls, to match existing.

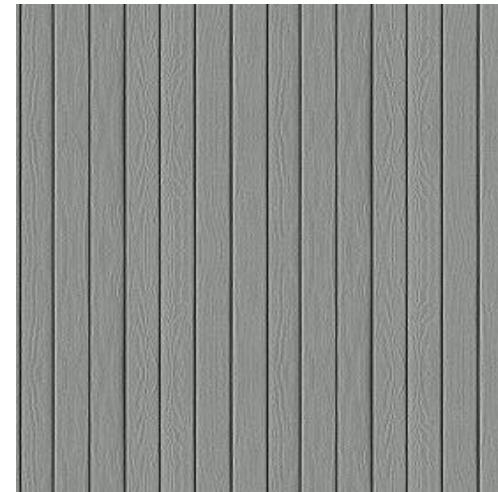
2



WESTERN CEDAR CLADDING

Used on the rear wall of the clubhouse.

3



COMPOSITE WEATHERBOARD GREY CLADDING

Used on the façade of the first floor and pitched roof.

4



ZINC-GREY METAL CLADDING

Used on the extension and first floor balcony.

5



PITCHED FACE STONE

Used on the stairs that allows access to the first floor balcony.

DESIGN SUMMARY.

The proposed extension to Moorlands has been carefully designed to address the existing clubhouse's spatial inefficiencies while enhancing its role as a key community hub. The proposed works introduce a more modern, functional, adaptable and welcoming space, ensuring that the club meets the needs of both players and the wider community for years to come.

To resolve the existing issues, the proposed works will remove the tapered wall and irregular columns and introduce an open-plan layout that improves circulations and maximises usable space. By strategically repositioning structural elements, the design eliminates awkward spatial constraints, creating a more efficient environment for match-day operations, social events and community gatherings. The proposed design creates the following benefits:

- A larger, more accessible clubhouse area – providing ample space for social interaction, club events and community functions.
- Improved player and spectator facilities – this includes female, accessible, home and away changing rooms, spacious clubhouse area and enhanced views over the cricket field and the Mirfield Memorial Park.

By refining the layout and expanding the clubhouse, the development will transform Moorlands Cricket Club into a modern, inclusive and community-focused venue, strengthening its role as a vital part of the local area. The new space will not only support the continued success of the club, but also provide a valuable facility for local groups, events, and wider community engagement.

POLICY LP61 URBAN GREEN SPACE.

Development proposals which would result in the loss of urban green space (as identified on the Policies Map) will only be permitted where:

- an assessment shows the open space is clearly no longer required to meet local needs for open space, sport or recreational facilities and does not make an important contribution in terms of visual amenity, landscape or biodiversity value; or
 - replacement open space, sport or recreation facilities which are equivalent or better in size and quality are provided elsewhere within an easily accessible location for existing and potential new users; or
 - the proposal is for an alternative open space, sport or recreation use that is needed to help address identified deficiencies and clearly outweighs the loss of the existing green space.
- The protection set out in this policy also applies to smaller valuable green spaces not identified on the Policies Map.

The proposed extension, balcony, and associated alterations comply with Policy LP61 of the Kirklees Local Plan by ensuring that the development supports and enhances the recreational function of the site while maintaining the overall integrity of the designated Urban Green Space.

- The clubhouse is an established facility supporting sports and community activities within the Urban Green Space.
- The proposed extension and balcony will enhance the usability of the clubhouse, improving facilities for players, spectators, and visitors.
 - By improving the clubhouse's functionality, the proposal directly supports the recreational use of the site.
- The extension will provide improved facilities for sports teams and local community groups, enhancing engagement and participation in recreational activities.
- The addition of a balcony will create better viewing opportunities for spectators, encouraging community involvement and supporting sports development.
 - No Significant Impact on Green Space Provision.
- The proposed development does not compromise the primary function of the site as a recreational facility.
- The extension is designed to be proportionate and sensitive to its surroundings, ensuring that the openness and character of the Urban Green Space are maintained.
- The remaining green space will continue to provide ample outdoor areas for sport and recreation, ensuring no detrimental impact on public access or usability.

In summary, the proposal fully aligns with Policy LP61 by ensuring that the clubhouse extension remains ancillary to its recreational purpose, delivers community benefits that outweigh any loss of open space, and maintains the overall function and accessibility of the Urban Green Space.

POLICY LP50 SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.

The council will seek to protect, enhance and support new and existing open spaces, outdoor and indoor sport and leisure facilities where appropriate, encouraging everyone in Kirklees to be as physically active as possible and promoting a healthier lifestyle for all.

Sport and leisure facilities will be protected where they are needed to meet current and future demands. The loss of open space, sport and leisure facilities will only be allowed where:-

- an assessment clearly shows that the site is no longer required to meet an identified need for open space, sport, or recreation use; or
- equivalent or better replacement facilities in terms of quantity and quality are provided to compensate for those lost as a result of the development and these are within an easily accessible location for existing and potential new users; or
- the proposal is for an alternative sport, leisure or open space use that is needed to help address identified deficiencies and clearly outweighs the loss of the existing facility.

Any proposed loss of community sports facilities should be supported by a detailed needs assessment report.

The enhancement of outdoor sports facilities through improving the quality and management of sites as identified in the Playing Pitch Strategy will be supported.

The creation of new outdoor sport facilities will be supported which help address deficiencies in playing pitches identified in the Playing Pitch Strategy particularly proposals which help meet the significant shortfalls in football.

Support will be given to proposals which expand and enhance the range of indoor leisure facilities on offer in the district, provided this does not conflict with other Local Plan policies. Where these facilities are included within the definition of town centre uses, such as health and fitness facilities and sports centres, the Local Plan town centres policy will apply including the sequential test.

Support will be given to proposals that enable community use of school facilities, particularly where these help meet sport and leisure needs of the local community as identified in the Built Leisure & Sports Facilities Strategic Framework and the Playing Pitch Strategy. The renewal or redevelopment of secondary school sites will be encouraged to make provision for community use and where possible secured through the planning process.

The proposed development aligns with Policy LP50 of the Kirklees Local Plan, which supports developments that enhance sports and recreational facilities while promoting accessibility and community participation. The extension of the clubhouse, including the addition of a balcony and associated internal and external alterations, will provide several benefits that contribute to the policy's objectives:

- Improved Facilities for Sport and Recreation.
 - The extension will enhance the usability of the clubhouse by providing improved indoor spaces for teams, members, and visitors.
- The proposed balcony will offer an elevated spectator area, improving viewing opportunities for events and fostering greater community engagement with sports activities.
 - The development supports greater community involvement by making the clubhouse a more attractive and functional venue for sports and social activities.
 - No Net Loss of Sporting Provision.
 - The extension does not result in the loss of existing sports facilities but instead enhances the overall offer of the clubhouse.
 - The proposal ensures that the existing sporting function of the site is maintained and strengthened, supporting local teams and sports organizations.

The development is therefore fully compliant with Policy LP50, as it contributes to the long-term sustainability and enhancement of sports and recreational activities in the local area.

POLICY LP24 DESIGN.

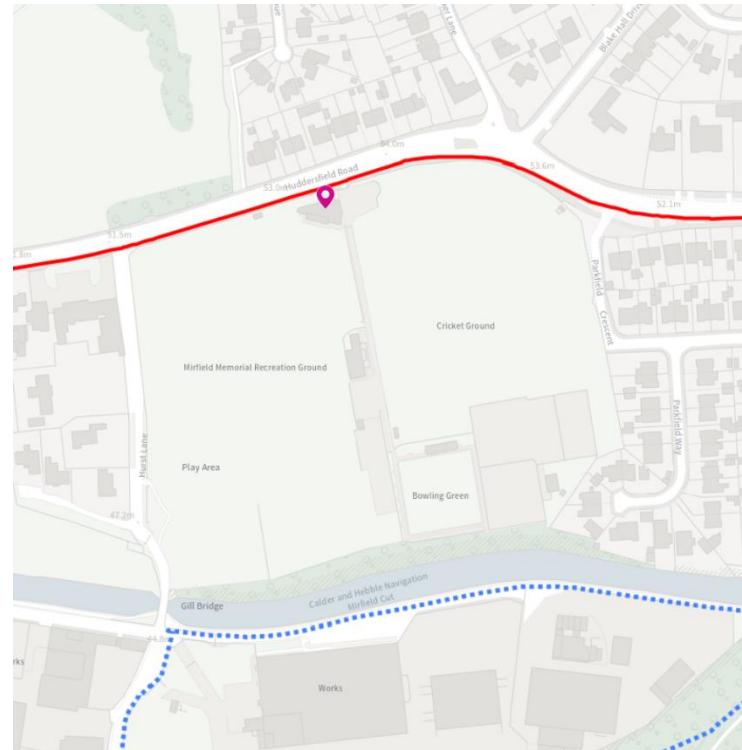
Good design should be at the core of all proposals in the district and should be considered at the outset of the development process, ensuring that design forms part of pre-application consultation of a proposal. Development briefs, design codes and masterplans should be used to secure high quality, green, accessible, inclusive and safe design, where applicable. Where appropriate and in agreement with the developer schemes will be submitted for design review.

Proposals should promote good design by ensuring:

- the form, scale, layout and details of all development respects and enhances the character of the townscape, heritage assets and landscape;
- they provide a high standard of amenity for future and neighbouring occupiers; including maintaining appropriate distances between buildings and the creation of development-free buffer zones between housing and employment uses incorporating means of screening where necessary;
- extensions are subservient to the original building, are in keeping with the existing buildings in terms of scale, materials and details and minimise impact on residential amenity of future and neighbouring occupiers;
 - high levels of sustainability, to a degree proportionate to the proposal, through:
 - The re-use and adaptation of existing buildings, where practicable;
 - design that promotes behavioural change, promoting walkable neighbourhoods and making walking and cycling more attractive;
 - considering the use of innovative construction materials and techniques, including reclaimed and recycled materials;
 - where practicable, minimising resource use in the building by orientating buildings to utilise passive solar design. This includes encouraging the incorporation of vegetation and tree planting to assist heating and cooling and considering the use of renewable energy;
 - providing charging points to encourage the use of electric and low emission vehicles;
 - incorporating adequate facilities to allow occupiers to separate and store waste for recycling and recovery that are well designed and visually unobtrusive and allows for the convenient collection of waste;
 - designing buildings that are resilient and resistant to flood risk, where such buildings are acceptable in accordance with flood risk policies and through incorporation of multi-functional green infrastructure where appropriate;
 - designing places that are adaptable and able to respond to change, with consideration given to accommodating services and infrastructure, access to high quality public transport facilities and offer flexibility to meet changing requirements of the resident / user.
- the risk of crime is minimised by enhanced security, and the promotion of well-defined routes, overlooked streets and places, high levels of activity, and well-designed security features;
 - the needs of a range of different users are met, including disabled people, older people and families with small children to create accessible and inclusive places;
 - any new open space is accessible, safe, overlooked and strategically located within the site and well integrated into wider green infrastructure networks;
 - development contributes towards enhancement of the natural environment, supports biodiversity and connects to and enhances ecological networks and green infrastructure;
 - the retention of valuable or important trees and where appropriate the planting of new trees and other landscaping to maximise visual amenity and environmental benefits; and the provision of public art where appropriate.

The proposed development has been carefully designed to align with the existing clubhouse in terms of scale and massing, ensuring that it remains in proportion with the surrounding built environment. The use of complementary materials will maintain visual harmony, reinforcing the architectural character of the clubhouse while introducing high-quality finishes. This approach ensures that the extension is not intrusive but rather enhances the overall aesthetic and functionality of the building.

ACCESS.



Existing parking facilities are located on-site and will not be affected by the proposed works. The development will not alter the current parking arrangements, ensuring no disruption to existing vehicle access. However, it is important to emphasize that the majority of visitors that will use the site walk or cycle, in line with the site's location within a highly accessible sustainable location, with strong pedestrian and cycle connections to surrounding areas. The map above highlights the core cycling and walking routes around the site and the clubhouse.

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