



Climate Change Statement

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Appendix A – Climate Change Statement

Climate Change Statement for Planning Applications

Part 1: Applicant details

Name of Applicant/Agent	AHJ Architects
Site Address	23 Gib Lane Skelmanthorpe Huddersfield HD8 9UX
Description of Development	Single storey extension to the rear

Part 2: Climate Change Mitigation measures

Please respond to the following questions considering the measures set out in the Climate Change Guidance note:
Q1: What measures have been/will be taken to reduce the energy demand associated with your proposed development beyond the minimum required in Building Regulations? (See section 2)
<p>The application is for an extension to an existing dwelling and as such the applicant will consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installing 'smart' energy metering, including displays showing the amount and cost of energy consumed. [if not already installed]• Ensuring that building service controls such as lighting and gas boiler controls, and management systems are user friendly, efficient, up to date, and complementary.• Use energy efficient white goods (rating where possible) (e.g. fridges, washing machines). Providing external space for drying washing naturally. <p>The essential requirement for Combined Heat and Power (CHP) systems for master-planned sites or have the ability to connect to an existing systems is not relevant for this type of application.</p>
Q2: What measures have been/will be taken to limit the carbon consumed through the implementation and construction processes, e.g. by reusing existing on-site materials or sourcing materials locally? (See section 3)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary materials such as stone and blockwork will be sourced from local suppliers.

- Waste management will be considered at an early stage in planning development proposals to demonstrate how waste will be minimised during construction.
- The other essential requirements are for larger scale developments.

Q3: What measures have been/will be taken to utilise renewable or low carbon energy sources? (See section 4)

- There isn't any local area energy network. Renewable energy provision will be subject to affordability.

Q4: What measures have been/will be taken to ensure the building design and layout has been optimised to energy efficiency beyond the minimum requirements in Part L of the Building Regulations ? (See section 5)

- Standard building control compliant.

Q5: What measures have been/will be taken to reduce potential impacts of flooding associated with your proposed development? (See section 6)

- The building is located within flood zone 1, surface water where possible will be directed to soakaway, subject to ground conditions and existing surface water connections. In this instance it is assumed to connect into the existing system.

Q6: What measures have been/will be taken to reduce water stress associated with your proposed development? (e.g. Water retention and minimisation measures) (See sections 7 and 8)

- Sanitaryware goods will be specified to reduce the consumption of water. The occupancy of the dwelling will remain the same.

Q7: What measures have been/will be taken to provide biodiversity net gains? (See section 8)

- The building is existing and the extension will be mainly located over hard standing with low BNG value.

Q8: What measures have been/will be taken to reduce air pollution associated with your proposed development? (See section 9)

- Materials and suppliers will be sourced locally to avoid excessive transport to and from the site.

Appendix B – Further information

Kirklees Local Plan

The development plan for the Kirklees Council area (www.kirklees.gov.uk/localplan)

Planning applications guidance and advice notes

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/guidance-and-advice-notes.aspx>

Air Quality and Pollution:

Kirklees Council's website has information on sources of pollution and our Air Quality Management Areas.

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/crime-and-safety/air-pollution.aspx>

Building Design and Layout:

The Construction Industry Research Information (CIRIA) publishes guidance on various construction issues, including building and construction technology and sustainability and the built environment.

www.ciria.org.uk

Information on environmentally friendly construction products can be found from the Royal Institute of British Architects product selector website.

www.ribaproductselector.com

Passivhaus Trust provides guidance for designing for increasing summer temperatures and constructing buildings to a high energy efficient standard using a quality assurance approach.

<https://www.passivhaustrust.org.uk/guidance.php>

Construction Materials and Techniques:

Information on environmentally friendly construction products can be found from the Royal Institute of British Architects product selector website.

www.ribaproductselector.com

The UK Green Building Council provides information on sustainable building techniques.

<https://www.ukgbc.org/>

The Building Research Establishment (BRE) Environmental profiles website provide information about sustainable design, energy conservation measures and building materials and components.

www.bre.co.uk

The Construction Industry Research Information (CIRIA) publishes guidance on various construction issues, including building and construction technology and sustainability and the built environment.

www.ciria.org.uk

Production information on certified timber and timber products is available from the Forest Stewardship Council.

<https://www.fsc-uk.org/en-uk>

Historic England provides advice on energy efficiency and renewable energy in Historic buildings.

<https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/your-home/saving-energy/>

Passivhaus Trust provides information on Passivhaus buildings and standards.

<https://www.passivhaustrust.org.uk/>

Carbon Emissions:

The Carbon Trust promotes low carbon technology and gives information on how to work out carbon emissions associated with energy use.

www.thecarbontrust.co.uk

The Energy Saving Trust provide advice on renewable energy, energy efficiency and conservation.

www.est.org.uk

Information on combined heat and power and community heating is available from the Combined Heat and Power Association.

www.chpa.co.uk

The National Energy Foundation gives information on energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies.

www.nef.org.uk

Waste Minimisation:

Kirklees Council Waste Management Design Guide for New Developments

(www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/pdf/waste-management-design-guide-new-developments.pdf)

The Building Research Establishment (BRE) has produced a practical guide for small builders to help them reduce waste and operate more sustainably.

<https://www.bresmartsite.com/sustainable-construction-methods/>

The Construction Industry Research Information (CIRIA) publishes guidance on various construction issues, including aggregate recycling.

www.ciria.org.uk

Flooding and Drainage:

Government guidance on flood resilient construction of new building.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flood-resilient-construction-of-new-buildings>

Calder Valley Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA):

https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/sites/default/files/strategic-flood-risk-assessment_0.pdf

