

# DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

## Location

The site is located in Hazelhead, along Old Manchester Road and Whams Road, postcode S36 4AA. By the name 5 Flouch Mews, it is currently the residence of the applicant. The current site has a total area of 750 m<sup>2</sup> approximately and is well defined by existing stone walls and green hedges around the boundaries. To the north we have incredible views of the open fields, landscape features and natural habitat.

The proposal is to build a modest new rear extension to take advantage of those views and most importantly resolve a very inefficient kitchen-dining layout and arrangement. Minimal changes to the existing grounds and landscape are necessary to accommodate the proposal.

## Layout

The footprint of the new extension is approximately 4m by 4.5m of internal footprint and 19 sqm approximately. The project was designed from the outset to take advantage of the views to the open fields. The extra space will allow to create an appropriate and large enough space for the dining area within the existing room whilst a new kitchen with an efficient layout is located within the new area.

As you enter the new room, you are welcomed by unobstructed views to the fields and washed down by natural daylight coming from the large window, pitched ceilings and large rooflight above. An island and breakfast counter deliver a central feature to the space and allows contemplating views to the fields.

## Materials and appearance

The client requested for a design that is mostly traditional in look but “with character”, not too fussy but of quality and interesting contemporary details. The brief was to match the stonework of the existing house complemented with Ashlar stonework details. The wide window contrasts with solid robust flanking walls.

Due to the tight distance between all existing windows, the options for a roof finish were limited to either a flat solution (inadequate and immediately refused by the client) or a solution below 15 degrees pitch. Unfortunately, the existing stone tiled solution requires a much steeper angle which would not be possible to match. The proposal includes a standing seam with a sustainable zinc finish, allowing for necessary angle. It complements the existing house palette of materials and creates a defined architectural move. Zinc fascias with aluminium seamless guttering and downpipes will be included.



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