DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

LOCATION Birkwood Primary School, Darfield Road, Cudworth S72 8HG
DESCRIPTION Three new extensions to provide new classrooms, toilets for students and new staffroom accommodation

Birkwood Primary School is located on Darfield Road at Cudworth which is mostly residential
The proposals for this application are to provide extra teaching space for children provide new staff relaxation accommodation a new medical room and toilets

Site & Physical Context

The surrounding neighbourhood is mainly council owned residential properties These are mostly traditional built semi detached houses and bungalows but there are some privately owned detached houses close by The site is currently owned by Barnsley MBC and is a Primary School and Children s Day Centre Pedestrian and vehicular accesses to the school are from Darfield Road There is an un surfaced track to the rear of the school giving access to allotments

The Building

The present collection of buildings which form the school are generally of a traditional cavity brick construction with either reconstituted slate profiled tile or flat felt roofing The brickwork to the external walls are red buff and red/orange Most of the windows have been replaced with white upvc some with red panelling under Most of the external doors are white upvc

Brief and Design Principles

The largest of the three new extensions is to built to provide 2nr new classrooms plus toilet and cloaks areas This is to accommodate increasing numbers of student intake to the school The present accommodation is now too small for the numbers of children using the existing facilities This extension will be built using cavity wall construction with a pitched tile roof The brickwork is to be identified but is to match existing adjacent colour as close as possible The tiled roofs will be Redland Regent roof tiles

The staffroom extension will provide new staff relaxation and mess/toilet facilities as well as a new Medical Room and Special Educational Needs Classroom This extension will be built using cavity wall construction with a flat felt roof The brickwork is to be identified but is to match existing adjacent colour as close as possible

The new children s toilet extension is provided to replace existing toilets which will be converted to cloaks areas This extension will be built using cavity wall construction with a flat let roof The brickwork is to be identified but is to match existing adjacent as close as possible