The Friendship Inn - Redbrook Road, Gawbor: Design and Access Statement for External Alterations

Introduction – This Design and Access Statement has been prepared on behalf of Sainsbury's Supermarkets Limited in support of a Full Planning Application for external alterations at the former Friendship Inn public house, Redbrook Road, Gawbor. This statement describes the site and context and sets out the specific design principles in relation to the proposals and reviews issues of accessibility to it.

Use – The proposal is for external alterations to the former Friendship Inn public house on Redbrook Road, Gawbor to provide a convenience retail unit.

Amount and scale – The alterations to the external elevations comprise the following:

- Small infill extension to the north west of the property, in the former loading area.
- Elevation A –
  - Replace gates with glazing;
  - Brick up existing entrance door;
  - New entrance door;
  - Entrance ramp and hand rail to shop front;
  - Shop front glazing;
  - Shop front entrance;
  - Entrance steps;
  - ATM; and
  - External lighting.
- Elevation B –
  - Brick up fire exit doors; and
  - External lighting.
- Elevation C –
  - Fire escape door at first floor and external staircase.

- Elevation D –
  - Brick up ground floor windows.

The scale of the external alterations is appropriate to the building and considered typical for a convenience unit of this size.

Layout – The proposed layout seeks to maximise the potential of the unit. Some internal alterations are to be made which do not require planning permission.

Appearance – The new entrance doors will be aluminium framed and charcoal grey RAL 7022. The brick used for the side infill and to brick up the windows will match that of the existing building.

Access – The proposed alterations will allow access for all. The new ramp will provide level access between the car park and the store entrance. The entrance door will have a level threshold and the store layouts are all on one level, thereby making circulation obstacle free. The pavement to the front of the store is also sufficient so as to be no blocking of people entering or leaving the store. The ATM has been designed to be in accordance with Access to ATM's: UK Design Guidelines to ensure it is accessible for all.

Landscaping – There were no areas of landscaping for this application to utilise or develop.

Summary – The proposed shop front and ATM is considered to be of an appropriate design and format to the proposed location. No issues of harm to amenity or highway safety are raised by this application.