

**PROPOSED RE-COMMISSIONING
OF LAVATORIES
AT BULLHOUSE CHAPEL,
BULLHOUSE LANE,
MILLHOUSE GROOM,
PENISTONE,
SHEFFIELD S36 9NF
FOR
THE TRUSTEES OF BULLHOUSE PROTESTANT CHAPEL**

1.00 INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.01 Andrew Shepherd, Architect is instructed by the Trustees to take forward earlier sketch proposals as developed by others to upgrade to modern standards the existing lavatories within the curtilage of the Chapel. Those proposals re shown on drawings E/01 – Existing Drawings, P/01 – Proposed Alterations & P/02A – Proposed Site Plan.
- 1.02 The Chapel is a designated heritage asset, and a copy of the “listing description” is attached. It is a delightful survivor of a past era (photographs 1-4).



Photograph 1



Photograph 2



Photograph 3



Photograph 4

1.03 The Chapel is no longer the private place for worship of the owners of the adjacent Bullhouse Hall who caused the Chapel to be constructed, but is leased to the Congregation via Trustees.

1.04 Under their direction various works of repair have been carried out to the fabric in recent years with great assistance from the Heritage Lottery Fund and others.

1.05 The Trustees are now determined that the congregation's facilities at the Chapel be further improved.

2.00 FACILITIES AS EXISTING

2.01 Those comprise a space used as a Kitchen/Servery for the preparation of hot drinks. It is an awkward space at a different level to the main body of the Chapel and attached Vestry. Its refurbishment is yet to occur. However, as there is no existing drain to the sink (which discharges externally to ground) it is proposed that a spur to the new drainage, as described in the next item, be constructed to at least allow that waste to discharge properly.

2.02 In the extreme South West corner of the small Churchyard curtilage there is an existing lavatory "block" (photographs 5-6). One part of the building has been fitted out to operate a single lavatory, but this is inadequate in size and function.



Photograph 5



Photograph 6

That fitting out happily has retained the two separate (for men and women) “three seaters”! (Photographs 7 & 8).



Photograph 7



Photograph 8

2.03 There is an open space “back to back” with these, from which it is presumed that the discharged matter rotted down and was eventually removed. There is no “proper” drainage (photographs 9 & 10).



Photograph 9



Photograph 10

- 2.04 There is an existing water supply to the building, which investigation has suggested is adequate in capacity.
- 2.05 Similarly the existing electrical supply has been checked and has adequate capacity.
- 2.06 The building fabric is in generally adequate condition. Some repairs to the stone slate roof are required, together with the repointing of some stonework.
- 2.07 It is proposed that one of the few chambers will be remodelled to create a single unisex lavatory in an insulated, decorated room with modern hygienic finishes.
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2.08 The remaining part of the building will remain unchanged, and will be used for storage. Basic power and lighting will be provided.

3.00 PROPOSALS

3.01 Drawing P/01 shows the option selected from two options for the conversion to create that single modern lavatory. The size of the existing building precludes the new accommodation fully meeting modern mobility standards, but “it will be better than at present”! Those modern standards are superimposed on the proposal drawing to show the very slight divergences from those current standards. The “As Existing” drawing (E/01) shows the two chambers and their existing “three seaters”.

3.02 The interior of the space will be refitted completely with sanitaryware and the means of creating hot water. Electrical heating on a timer/calendar clock will be provided. Insulation will be provided to the retained external fabric.

Through the good offices of the owners of Bullhouse Hall provision has been granted to form a new drain connection from the upgraded lavatory to an existing drain run adjacent to the Hall, as shown on drawing P/02. It is believed this discharges some distance away to a treatment plant.

3.03 The drainage connection is to be taken from the west side of the existing building and run in UPVC pipes through the Rock Garden of the Hall (photographs 11-14).



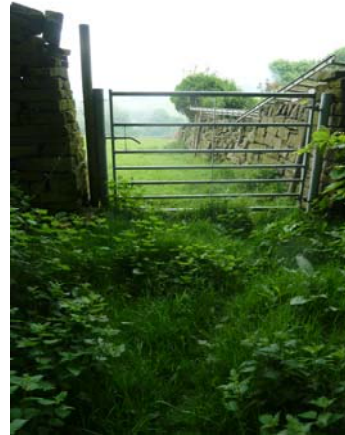
Photograph 11



Photograph 12



Photograph 13



Photograph 14

It is hoped, in view of the unknown but obviously root riddled nature of the subground that this can be “moled” mechanically, changing direction with propriety up to inspection chambers as required, to discharge eventually as desired into a field to the North West of the Hall, within which the existing connector manhole is located (photographs 15 & 16).



Photograph 13



Photograph 14

4.00 PROGRAMME

4.01 The programme for delivery of the works will probably be determined by the Trustees’ fund raising successes, but the following delivery dates are similarly offered for guidance.

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| 01. | Submission of application for Listed Building Consent for the approved scheme to Barnsley M.B. Council | = 2 weeks |
| 02. | Determination period | = 8-12 weeks |
| 03. | Preparation of Building Regulations Application | = 1 week |
| 04. | Determination period | = 5 weeks |
| 05. | Preparation of tender documentation | = 3 weeks |
| 06. | Tender period | = 4 weeks |
| 07. | Mobilisation of site start | = 4 weeks |
| 08. | Construction period | = 6 weeks |

5.00 FUNDING

5.01 The Trustees have procured sufficient funding for this project.

6.00 CONCLUSIONS

6.01 The fellowship of worship and the range of pastoral activities which takes place at this venerable place of worship properly expect modern facilities to provide basic comforts. A functional pleasant lavatory will be a very considerable asset to allow this building to remain in beneficial use for its fourth century of use.

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PENISTONE WANCHESTER ROAD SE20SW (west side, off), Millhouse 3/30 Dissenters Chapel and 23rd June 1965 former Minster's house at Bullhouse GV II Non-conformist chapel (formerly Presbyterian). Dated 1692, cottage slightly later. For Elkanah Rich of Bullhouse Hall. Deeply-coursed stone. Stone slate roof. Rectangular plan of single storey, 5 bays with 2-storey cottage attached to rear right. Chamfered plinth. Central gabled porch whose entrance has elliptical head and moulded surround. The inner doorway has a shallow segmental head with inscribed keystone: "APRIL 18 ANOD 1692" Heavy, 4-panel, double studded door. Double-chamfered cross-windows to each side with round-arched lights and sunken spandrels. Later buttress between bays 4 and 5. Moulded eaves cornice, moulded gable copings on cut kneelers. Ball finials to apexes. Rear elevation plain. Left return: a 3 + 3 light transomed window. Right return: two cross-windows detailed as front; the cottage is set back slightly and has a 2-light window to each floor, detailed as before. The entrance is within a later lean-to addition to right side, with a 4-panel door. Interior: plaster ceiling. Three cased tie-beams braced to short wall posts on stone corbels. Hexagonal panelled pulpit, probably original, with tester. C19 pews. Panelled dado probably made from earlier pews. The minster's house has C19 or early C20 fittings including a fold-down stair. C. Stell, "Bullhouse Chapel, Penistone", Archaeological Journal, Vol 137, 1980, p99.

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