DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

PROPOSED DISABLED ACCESS RAMP & STEPS
AT 21 VICTORIA ROAD
BARNSLEY

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1. INTRODUCTION

This Design and Access Statement is submitted on behalf of Gibson Booth Chartered Accountants in support of a full planning application for the proposed disabled access ramp and steps to no 21 Victoria Road, Barnsley.

- Nuttall Yarwood & Partners drawing ref no:
  40/48/01 Plan, Elevations, & Location Plan as proposed

2. THE SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

The site is situated within the Barnsley town centre conservation area on Victoria Road.
The immediate surrounding context of the site on Victoria Road comprises of a mix of office, residential and a children's day care nursery. They range in scale including three storey terraced and detached offices and residential buildings.
The topography of the site is generally on an even slope.

3. DESIGN

The proposed access ramp will be situated at the rear of the property adjacent to the existing car parking area. The building has 2 entrance doors at front and rear, neither entrance is suitable for wheel chair access as both have stepped entrance. Installing the ramp at the front of the building was considered but rejected due to the amount of work required to build levels up, visual impact to the front elevation and most visitors to the site arrive by car and use the rear car park.

The new ramp will be constructed from the following materials all to match the existing building where applicable.
New walls will be constructed from natural stone work coursed and dressed to match the existing building. The existing plinth course which runs around no 21's perimeter will be reflected with a wall topper of same size and section in art stone.
New ramp, landings and steps to be concrete with tampered finish.
Handrails to be circular steel with powder coated finish (black).

4. LANDSCAPING

No landscaping alterations are proposed.

5. ACCESS

It is intended that all relevant elements will comply with the guidance in Building Regulations Approved Document Part M.
The application is committed to a policy of equality, inclusion and accessibility to the provision of facilities to visitors and in the employment opportunity afforded to employees.
The site is located within 5 minutes walking distance of Barnsley Town Centre and transport links.