

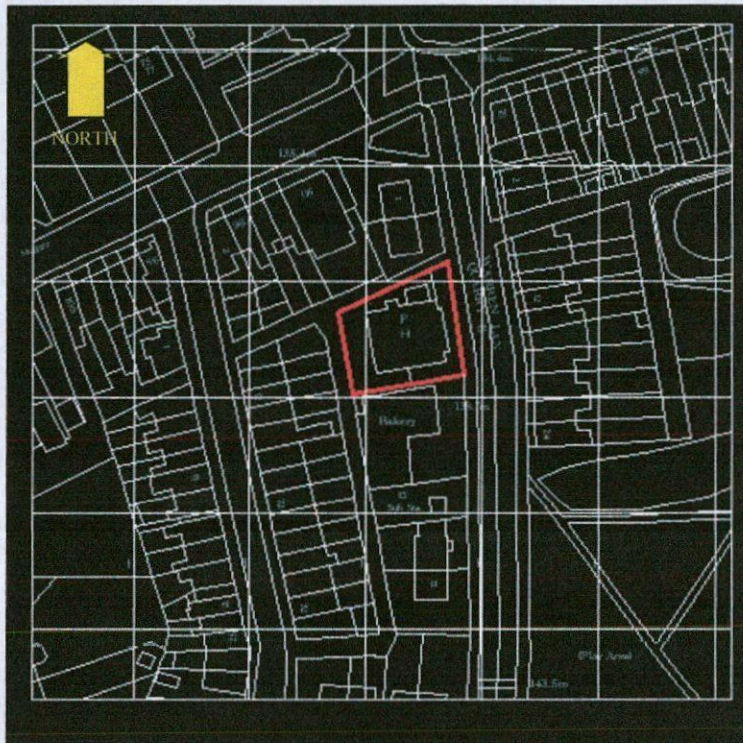
Design & Access Statement
In Support of a 'Change of Use' Application
for
Elim Pentecostal Church
Barnsley



The Warren Hotel
Warren Quarry Lane
Barnsley
S70 4NF

Introduction

This Design/Planning Statement has been prepared to explain the New Proposals for the 'Change of Use' to the Warren Hotel Warren Quarry Lane Barnsley to provide a new centre for the Elim Pentecostal Church providing new facilities for the Local Community.



The Site occupies a rectangular plot close to the corner of the A6133 Park Road. Generally the site is level with a slight fall from the South to the North. Situated to the South of the premises is a retail outlet and to the North small residential properties.

The remaining boundaries separate the Church property with the surrounding residential properties to North West and West. The boundaries are defined by way of low external brick walls.

The Elim Pentecostal Church has been a part of the Barnsley community for a large number of years. Since that time it has served generations of local people in a multitude of ways, catering for all ages.

The Church has been used throughout the week providing facilities/activities for the community.

The Warren Hotel has been marketed by the Brewery through Licenced Property Specialists Sidney Phillips.

Assessment

Local Environment

The existing Church has for many years been established as part of the Barnsley scene. The new proposal will not detract from this positive context.

The new proposal is to adapt the existing building known as the Warren Hotel to the New Elim Pentecostal Church in Barnsley.

The scale of the building would remain to observe and preserve the privacy enjoyed by adjoining neighbours and at the same time provide improved facilities for the Community Church.



Boundary Treatments

It is intended to retain the existing brick boundary walls and provide a more secure play area for the toddlers.

External Works

Part of the proposal is to provide 2 no. Disabled Car Parking spaces on the site which would be accessed over the existing dropped kerb to the north of the Bus Stop.

The Car Parking Bays will be clearly marked out with yellow lining/ symbols.

Proposals

Proposed Use

The proposal is to convert the existing building from A4 to D1 Class use, for the Elim Pentecostal Church Barnsley on this site, providing up to date facilities for the Church/Community use.

The Church operates a number of activities as listed below:

Sunday: Sunday Service 11.00am - 12.30pm (20 - 45 attending)
Occasional Sunday Evening 6.00pm - 9.00pm all ages attending.

Monday: Retired Ladies Meeting & Exercise 13.00pm - 14.30pm (12 attending)
English Lessons for people from minorities background (30+ attending)

Tuesday: Craft Sessions 17.00pm - 19.00pm mixed Ladies & Gents

Wednesday: Mums & Toddlers Group 10.00am - 12.00noon
Numbers vary from 8 - 15 mums & 10 - 20 Children.

Thursday: Closed

Friday: Food Bank , Debt Management Advice
People are referred to the Church for this help & Advice.

Saturday: Church Prayer Meeting 11.00am - 12.30pm (8- 12 attending)

The above represent the services and facilities already provided by the Church.

The Accommodation to be provided:

Ground Floor Level This area is predominately given over to the Community Church space with a Stepped & Ramp Access. On entering the building you have a large Foyer Area with Toilet Facilities either side. The Rear Section of this floor is space for a Quiet Room, Small Coffee Area & Toilet.

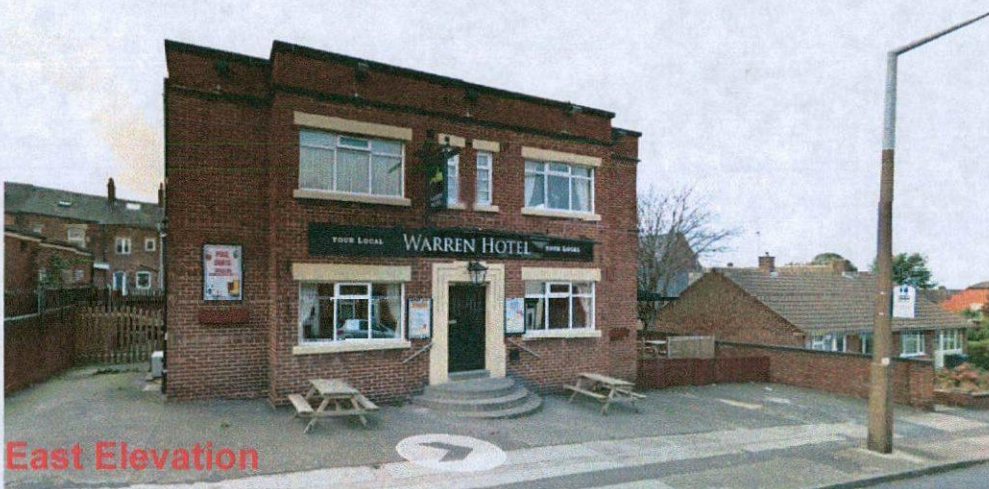
Basement Level At Basement Level the facilities are for the wider community functions which include Recreation & Waiting Area, Multi-Purpose Rooms for Mid Week Groups/Activities. Also at this level a large Dining Area and Kitchen would be situated to serve both Church & Community alike.

First Floor Level This Level is mainly taken up with the Flat Accommodation that already exists. Minor alteration are intended to suit the new occupiers in the future. The other major feature at this level is the Multi-Purpose Room which will accommodate a number of Church & Community activities.

Externally The Drawing shows an area dedicated to a Secure Play Area for Children.

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Photos



Access Statutory Authorities Sustainability

ACCESS

The site is located close to major thoroughfares in Barnsley and is well served with local bus routes. There is a Bus Stop immediately outside the Premises on Warren Quarry Lane.

This new proposal includes the provision of 1No. Off Street Parking Space for the Disabled.

The new proposals will also include a ramped Access to the Main Entrance into the building.

The Church has a policy to ensure any who visit and are physically challenged are given every opportunity of assistance if required.

STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

Because the site is well located in Barnsley, it benefits from all the mains distribution networks, including Gas, Electricity, Water & Drainage mains all running in close proximity to the site.

Future improvements for the building with energy efficient appliances, lighting and equipment generally should minimize the dependency on each of the services.

SUSTAINABILITY

The Proposal occupies a highly sustainable location in Barnsley, close to modes of public transport. There is also significant pedestrian infrastructure nearby. The availability of local transport services and amenities within walking and cycling distance will reduce the dependency on the motor car.

Provision for a secure cycle rack is part of the proposals.

The building will contribute to the overall enhanced sustainability - At the time alterations or upgrading of the property takes place then improved thermal insulation standards will be adopted. The Glazing to the building will take into account the need to conserve energy. Systems utilizing energy efficient services will be used particularly with the water and heating systems together with A rated energy light fittings.

The extent of the glazing in the building should reduce the dependency on artificial lighting during daylight hours.

Pre-Planning Advice

Principle of Development

The details of this Scheme has been discussed with Rachael Roddis - Planning Officer of the Barnsley Planning Department following a Pre Application Advice submission and an email response dated 13th October 2016. Ref:2016/ENQ/00622

The email stated; 'I feel that the authority could be supportive of an application for a 'Change of Use' from A4 to D1'

Elim's philosophy is to work with the Local Authority to create a satisfactory solution to the Churches requirements today. It is appreciated that further substantiation may be required to satisfy the Local Authorities requirements to meet current Statutory Regulations.

Every endeavour would be made to promote and maintain good neighbour relations therefore addressing issues like noise, disturbance & loss of privacy would be high on the Churches agenda.

Design

The Church is aware that certain design features of the existing building may require upgrading and improving and as the need/possibilities arise this will be attended too

There is space at each side of the building to accommodate a Cycle Rack as required.

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