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Design & access statement for proposed conversion of an existing dormer bungalow & derelict out building into a new detached dwelling at Vicar Road Darfield .

1.0 Physical context

1.1 Surrounding:

The site is located between the Village Hall & No. 3 Vicar Road which is currently occupied with a dormer bungalow & a stone built two storey out building. The neighbourhood generally consists of large residential properties mainly being of detached houses.

Schools, recreational facilities & other local services are all within reasonable distance of the property. The property is not located in a conservation area. The property affords good transport links as it lies near a bus route between Barnsley & Doncaster.

1.2 Site:

The proposal is for the conversion of an existing dormer bungalow & derelict out building into a new detached dwelling which is to be built fairly centrally within a large plot. The site lies in a Housing Policy Area. There will be parking for 4+ cars within the site to the front of the house & within a lower entrance to the side of the Church Hall.

There are natural features such as trees within the site but it is not necessary to remove any. The site has a gradient from front to back & there is a sharp drop with stairs to thee side of the Church Hall.. The site

lies on the border of the conservation area with the old out building within conservation area. Non of the buildings are a listed building.

2.0 Social Context:

The property development is for the proposed conversion of an existing dormer bungalow & derelict out building into a new detached dwelling. There is no potential overlooking or overshadowing issue from the site. There will be no adverse impact on the existing local services.

3.0 Economic context:

The development will bring in potential income from the occupants with their spending capabilities benefiting the local economy as well as construction work during the development.

4.0 Planning policies:

The relevant national & local policies applicable to the scheme were referred to during the design process such as PPG12, PPG1 & H8D contained within the Barnsley UDP & government guidance including guidance note 3: housing.

5.0 Involvement of community members:

The scheme has no implications for general community; however both of the adjoining owners have been consulted.

6.0 Evaluation:

The adjoining owners have no concerns about the proposed development.

7.0 Design principles:

7.1 Use:
The proposed development is justified particularly as it brings an existing Derelict building into residential use therefore maximising the properties potential for occupancy, whilst being sympathetic to the surrounding area. The site is allocated in the UDP, & is partly in a conservation area.

The proposed development would consist of a proposed conversion of an existing dormer bungalow & derelict out building into a new detached dwelling. The access to the house is through a new front door & via a door to the rear. New Wood effect upvc windows are proposed throughout which are to be sympathetic with the surrounds

7.2 Layout:
The layout of house has been to orientate the windows to comply with the overlooking issues in SPG3. It will comply “Secure by Design” principles. The mail box will be to the front entrance & utilities located to the side of the property.

7.3 Scale:
The proposed development is to scale with the surrounding properties.

7.4 Landscaping:
No new landscaping will be provided to the front & the rear which is already landscaped will be retained. Planted boarders will be provided to the edges of the site. The area to the front will be block paved to provide hard standing for parking. The garden to the rear is easily accessible for maintenance purposes.

7.5 Appearance:
The new Fenestration has been designed to be sympathetic with the surrounding area. The building is to be constructed using materials that are sympathetic to the surrounding developments. External security lighting is proposed.

7.6 Access:
It is possible to achieve a disabled access to the property. Vehicular access is to remain unaltered.