

**Design & Access Statement: Thatched roof replacement at 80 Barnham Road, Barnham, West Sussex
September 22nd 2017**

Introduction

The Thimbles, 80 Barnham Road, Barnham, West Sussex, PO22 0ES is a listed thatched cottage situated in the village of Barnham which is located in Arun District 5 miles north of Bognor Regis.

We need to replace the thatched roof at 84 Barnham Road as it has reached the end of its life and is no longer weatherproof. The roof is now leaking and is adversely affecting the life of the people who live at the property, all of whom have learning disabilities.

The design principles and concepts that have been applied to the works

Our plan is to replace the roof like for like and to follow the current design as closely as possible and therefore no new design principles and concepts are being applied. The work will be done by an experienced thatcher GA MacDonald of 55 Sea Lane, West Sussex, BN16 1ND who is a member of the National Society of Master Thatchers. Please attached for details of the work that will be undertaken.

How the design principles and concepts that have been applied to the works take account of

- the special architectural or historic importance of the building
- the particular physical features of the building that justify its designation as a listed building and
- the building's setting

The new roof will follow the design principles and concepts of the current roof and as a result, will take into account the specific physical features of the building that justify its designation as a listed building in the same way as the current thatched roof does.

We are not proposing to make any changes to the design and the replacement will follow the existing design as close as is possible.

How issues relating to access to the building have been dealt with

80 Barnham Road is situated on the main Barnham Road which will provide easy vehicular access to the site.

Scaffolding will be erected to allow the thatch to be replaced but occupants and others will still be able to gain access to the building as normal during the works

As we own the site behind 80 Barnham Road, we can store all materials in the car park behind 80 Barnham Road. Waste materials can also be stored there prior to being removed.

The policy adopted as to access, including what alternative means of access have been considered, and how policies relating to access in relevant local development documents have been taken into account

See above.

How the policy as to access takes account of

- the special architectural or historic importance of the building
- the particular physical features of the building that justify its designation as a listed building and
- the building's setting

N/A

State what, if any, consultation has been undertaken and what account has been taken of the outcome of any such consultation and explain how any specific issues which might affect access to the building have been addressed.

We have not undertaken any consultation other than with the occupants of the building as we simply want to replace the current thatched roof, which has reached the end of its life and is no longer weatherproof, with a new and identical thatched roof.

The use of scaffolding will comply with all local planning requirements.