

DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

Re: 34 Arundel Drive, Thornlea Park, Littlehampton BN17 7PZ

CONTEXT

The applicant is applying for planning permission for removal of the timber landing at the side of the property and replacement with a step lift as Mrs Betty White can no longer negotiate the existing steps. Mrs White has significant mobility problems which is making access to the outdoors hazardous, and local authority grant funding has been allocated to enable the construction of a suitable replacement access arrangement. The works are subject to Disabled Facilities Grant funding under the government funded 'safe, secure and warm homes scheme'

USE

The use of the property is as a residential unit providing family accommodation.

AMMOUNT OF DEVELOPMENT

The scale of the development amounts to the replacement of the external timber landing arrangement with a proprietary steplift (typical details attached).

LAYOUT

The overall layout is designed to have minimum impact on the garden area and surrounding environment and is sited at the side of the property to minimise impact on the streetscape.

SCALE

There is no increase in the floor area of the accommodation.

ACCESS

The steplift will enable Mrs White to access the wider community.

LANDSCAPING

No trees or hedges are proposed to be removed.

APPEARANCE

See attached typical brochure details of the steplift.

OTHER MATTERS

The new landing would be of masonry construction with paving slab finish with retaining side walls in brickwork, the new landing to be fitted with smooth Kee Access galvanised metal handrails. The steplift as attached details will connect to the landing to give Mrs White level access into the cabin and enable her to access the wider community with the assistance of Mr White who is a permanent carer.

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