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**Planning Supporting Document.**

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## FOREWORD

We are architects, designers and makers dedicated to creating distinctive, beautifully crafted buildings and comfortable spaces to come together, live and work.

Collaborating with design-minded clients, we create projects rich with detail and full of meaning, including arts, cultural schemes, new homes, house extensions, residential refurbishments and commercial buildings at all scales.

We're known for sensitive interventions, where old meets new and the careful mediation between the two. But whether old or new, our process is creative and thorough, considering the interplay of site, light, views, history, material and people's experiences alongside new technologies, sustainability and delivery methods to develop innovative and authentic responses.

With an intuitive understanding of building, we work from concept to completion, delivering projects to the highest standards while adding value at every stage.



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document has been prepared on behalf of the applicant, in relation to a proposed variations to the approved application DM/23/2432. It should be read in conjunction with the following supporting documents:

- Approved drawings – Mark Stevens Architects.
- Proposed drawings – Mark Stevens Architects.

## CONCLUSION

In summary, we propose the following variations to the consented scheme:

Relocation and reduction in the width of the two external doors at ground floor level.  
Reduction in the depth of the single-storey extension, incorporating a new sloped roof detail.  
Revised glazed balustrade design.  
New fenestration to the double doors leading to the roof terrace.

The illustrations on pages 10–11 provide a comparison between the existing, consented, and proposed schemes.

Our revised proposal reduces the projection depth of the rear extension and reintroduces a shallow pitched roof to the single-storey addition. This change creates a clear distinction between the proposed extension and the consented lean-to structure, offering a visual break between the two elements. As a result, the perceived scale and massing of the additions are softened.

Additional minor amendments include the replacement of the consented timber door to the first-floor terrace with a new, vertically proportioned arched-head door. This revision better reflects the proportions and detailing of the original fenestration and enhances the overall architectural coherence.

Collectively, these changes aim to achieve a more respectful and harmonious relationship with the historic building, while also simplifying construction—particularly at the junction between the single-storey extension and the consented lean-to structure.

We trust this document, together with the accompanying drawings, clearly communicates the proposed revisions, and we look forward to receiving your favourable consideration.



Proposed Rear Elevation



1.



2.



3.

#### Rear Elevation Comparison

1. Existing Condition
2. Consented Scheme - Ref- DM/23/2432
3. Proposed Scheme - Previously consented scheme Ref- DM/23/2432 shown in Blue

