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Design and Access Statement

For
The Lookout
Underhill
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08.09.2023

Introduction

The Lookout is a 1930's single family dwelling situated on an elevated plot with far-reaching south westerly views. It has a typically cellular plan with the principal rooms facing south and west. The new owners would like to create a contemporary open plan kitchen space that better exploits these views with a new bedroom suite over.



Figure 1 Arial View of The Lookout from the SW.



Figure 2 View from the Northwest showing existing shed in foreground

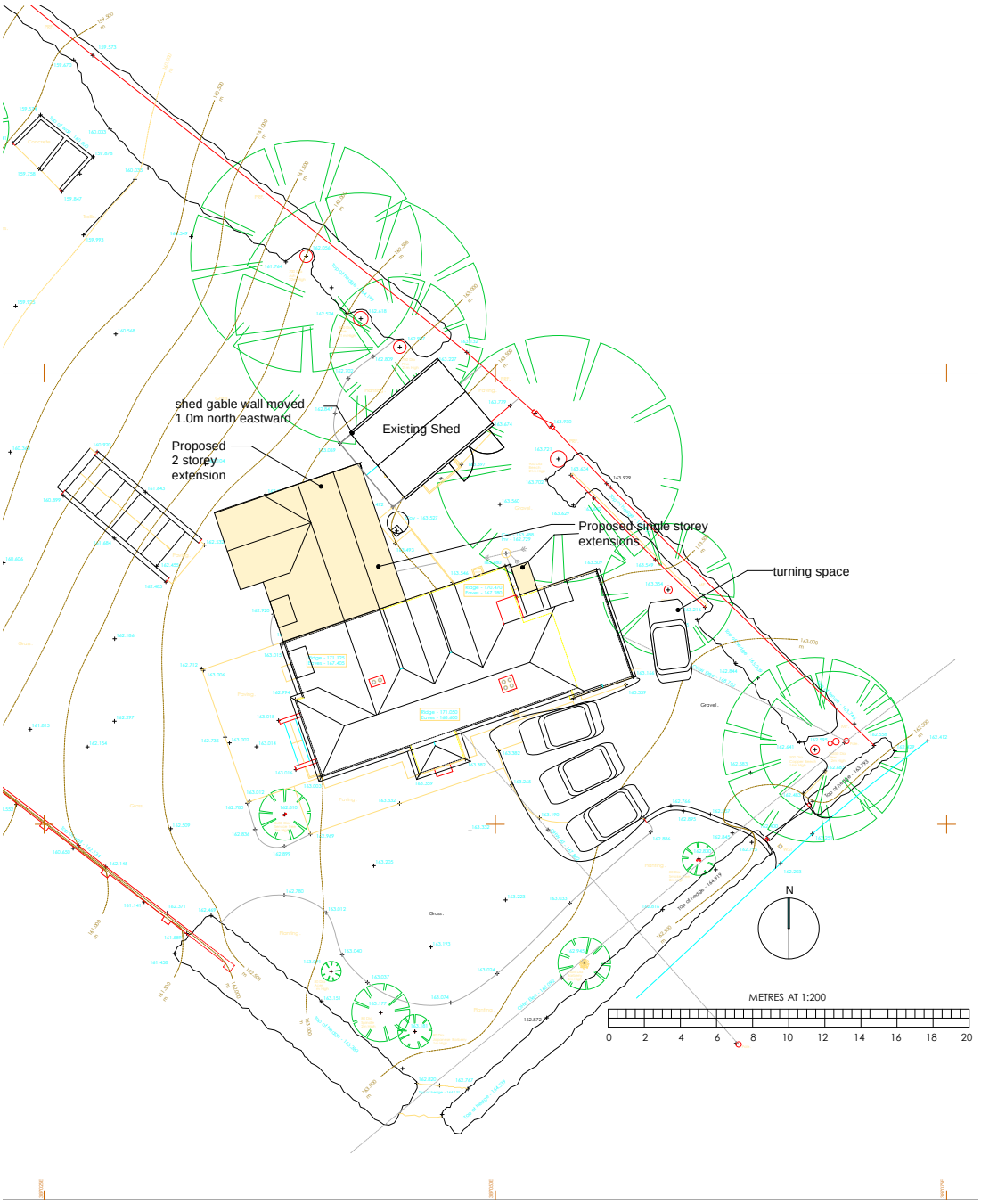
Proposal

1. Extrude the existing 2 storey SW gable for an open plan kitchen dining area below and a bedroom suite over

Use
The house will remain a single family dwelling

Amount
Existing site 3396m2
Gross external
Existing House 135.6m2, shed 32.1m2 = 167.7m2
Existing House and sheds to site ratio is 4.9%

Proposed house footprint 200.9m2
Proposed house to site ratio would be 5.9%



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Proposed Site

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Figure 3 Proposed Site Plan

Layout

The proposed layout remains traditional with living spaces on the ground floor and bedrooms over.

Typical of an early 20th c dwelling the existing kitchen is seen as a service space, facing the car parking area and detached from the dining and living spaces. The proposed arrangement keeps the services to the east and the more formal rooms to the west. However, the proposed rear extension places a new kitchen and dining space in the NW corner of the house exploiting the view and giving a new and appropriate focus at the intersection of front and back of house circulations.

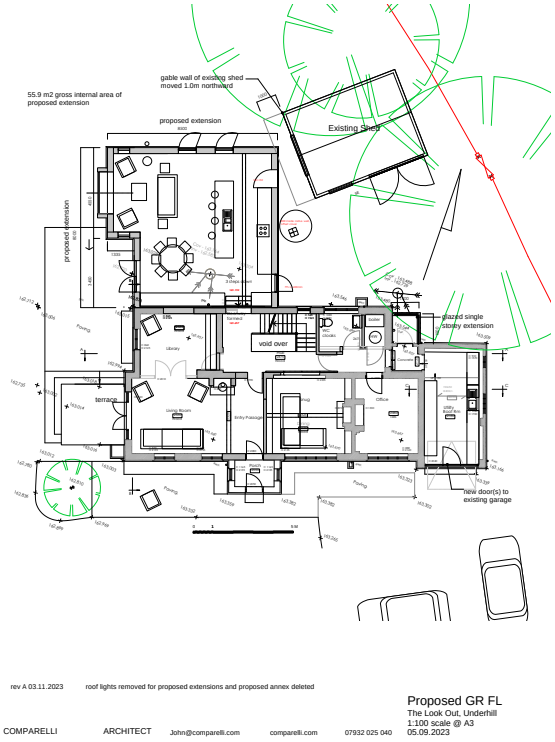
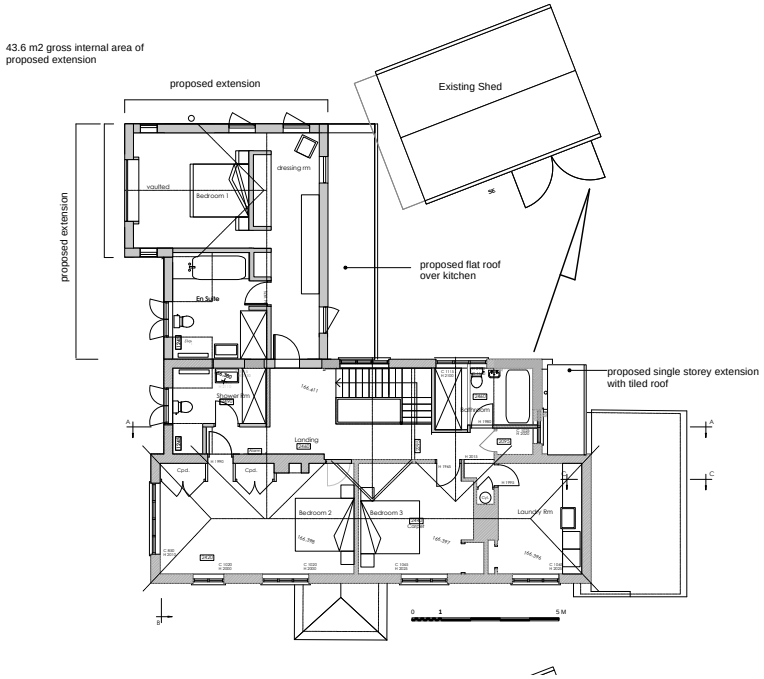


Figure 4 Proposed GR FL Plan

In support of this new layout the existing stair is reconfigured so that the bedrooms connect in a helical manner to the kitchen and there is a generous and common (to the two circulations) void in the centre of the building.

Over the proposed open plan kitchen is a new bedroom suite. This comes off the existing stair landing and is arranged with a linear dressing area and adjacent en suite.



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Proposed 1st FL
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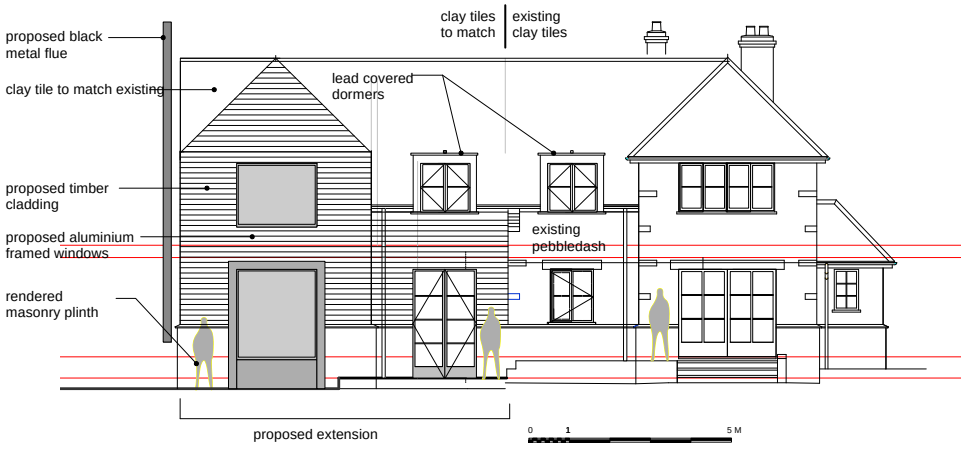
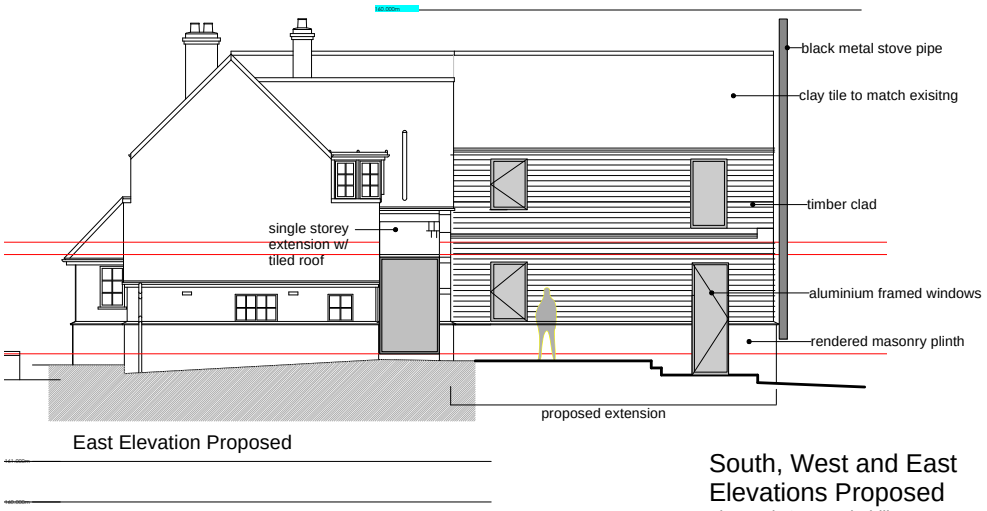
Figure 5 Proposed 1st Fl plan

Scale

The proposed two storey extension completes the west elevation of the existing house. It does this by mirroring the existing west elevation with an equal scale and shape but differentiated with timber cladding and aluminium framed windows {fig.6}.







South, West and East Elevations Proposed

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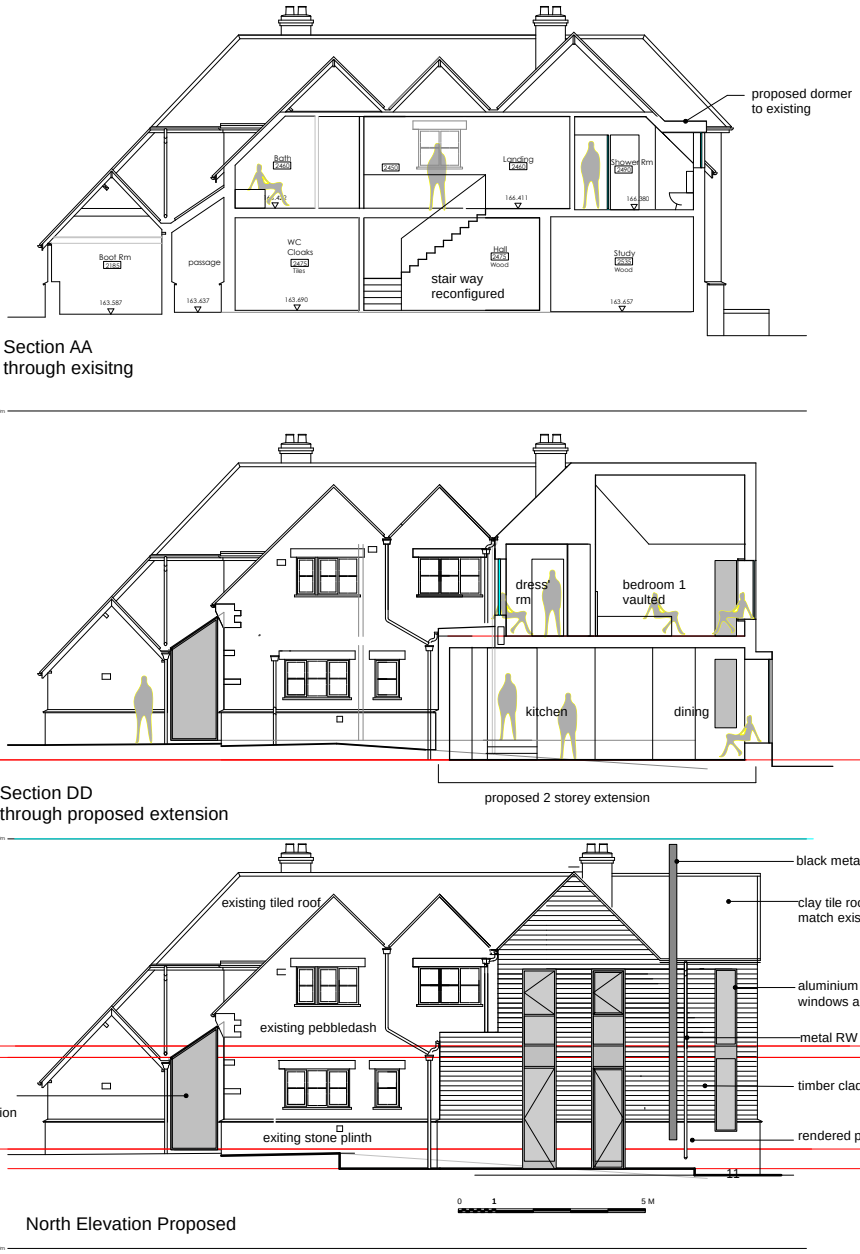
Figure 6. Proposed South, West and East Elevations



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Proposed Sect's AA, DD and North Elevation
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Figure 7. Rear Elevation with Long Sections

To the rear of the building the gabled elevation is preserved and the mass reduced with the single storey kitchen outshot {fig.7}.

Landscaping

The landscape of the house remains as it is with the parking to the southern entry side, a yard to the north east and the garden to the NW {fig.3}

Appearance

The owners appreciate the 1930's appearance of the existing house and would like to preserve and or enhance this by keeping as much as they can of the original suite of rooms in the south facing, 2 storey block, replacing the uPVC windows with Crittal type steel windows and replacing the baroque garage doors with early 20th century garage tripartite doors.

Onto this they would like to add a 21st century extension with aluminium framed windows, timber cladding and contemporary detailing. To ensure the new does not overwhelm the old the design keeps to the same roof lines, uses the same clay tiles, repeats the masonry plinth and centres the windows within similar shaped gables and bays.

Access

Access to the house will remain largely as it is but will be enhanced.

- The parking area will be increased slightly so that the vehicles can turn within the property
- The 'back door' sequence will be begin at the front elevation (where the parking is)

End of Design and Access Statement