North Down Farm, Donhead St Mary - Design & Access Statement for the proposed Swimming Pool.

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North Down Farm, Donhead St Mary, Dorset:

Swimming pool and associated buildings on the lower garden terrace:

The objective is the installation of a modest pool on part of what is what is now the lower garden lawn terrace. This area is demarcated by a substantial terrace wall and bounded with existing established shrubberies.

To support the swimming pool and part protect it a wall will enclose that part of the lower lawn that contains the pool, and built into that wall will be a plant room, a small changing room with shower and a barbecue and seating area. Approached from the rear there will be a garden mower store and the sustainable air source heat pump unit for the pool.

Materials:

Plain clay tile roof, timber clad buildings on a stone plinth. The inner face of enclosing wall in coursed local rubble stone.

The rear face of this wall is to be rendered in a self coloured render but will be largely hidden by the existing shrubbery border.

Access:

There are no changes to services to the building, nor to the pedestrian and vehicular access, parking or turning on the site.

Refuse collection will remain as existing, providing both general waste and recycling collection to the site, as well as storage for both on site.

AONB Dark Skies statement:

External lighting is to be minimal, bat and barn owl friendly, and AONB compliant, as described: All proposed external lighting will meet the AONB Dark Skies light pollution requirement. Light pollution in rural areas is becoming a common problem. Following good practice here it is proposed to provide only lighting essential for access and security and to use modern bulkhead fittings with downward pointing LED bulb max 3000 Kelvin and with passive infra-red switching and daylight sensing. Units will incorporate a baffle or shield to avoid upward or sideways displacement of light. Sample fittings have been appended.