# 3A Hurdwick Place – Small Garden Room Supplementary

The nature of this application is to replace the existing shed and paved/bare earth area at the rear end of the garden (see Photo 1) with a small garden room/office.

The material of the garden room/office building will be a natural, sustainably-sourced, spruce timber.   
Full specifications have been attached in Document 1, along with an attempted recreation of the proposed - untreated and unpainted – look in Photo 2, as generated by the manufacturer’s “augmented reality” vision (sadly it’s not the best piece of software.) The look of the building itself is displayed in Photo 3.

In Photo 1, bricks have been used to mark where the building will come to in the garden, including leaving some space for a small boundary to the front of the building. A proposed floor plan is provided in Plan 2.  
Overall, the size of the building will only be just over 15% of the entire rear ground-floor outdoor area (i.e. excluding the outdoor part that is at basement level.)  
In addition, the small amount of “lost” garden space at the rear will be compensated by creating a larger lawn and garden space at the front-end of the garden, along with some subsequent repair and regrowth of the lawn and side landscaping.

There is a tree and a small bush at the rear right-hand side of the garden, abutting the boundary walls (marked T1 and B1 in the photos and drawings.)  
The size of structure has been chosen so that there will be no impact to the tree or bush, retaining sufficient space around the structure to not impact existing soft landscaping (and to allow access.)  
A removable and non-concrete foundation - provided by the manufacturer - has been chosen to further ensure there is no impact.

There is no “green roof” as such, although the existing bush (B1) and surrounding greenery will be promoted to grow over the top of the garden office, thus providing a natural green roof. The rear of the building is lower in height than the front of the building, allowing this to more easily take place.

The installation of solar power is being investigated for the room/office. However, given the somewhat shady nature of the garden, this may likely not be reliable enough for year-round power. Therefore, the expectation is to have to install electricity to the building, to power the lighting and/or heating when solar isn’t sufficient.

Overall, the installation and subsequent replanting/regrowth should improve the aesthetics of the garden considerably.