

## SPECIFICATION.

**GENERAL:-** Loft conversion with dormer window to rear. Where building to boundaries the adjacent owner is to be informed under the terms of the Party Wall Act 1996 and its provisions followed. Where building over boundaries the adjacent owner is to be served notice under section 65 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990. All dimensions must be checked on site and not scaled from this drawing. Any dimensions given are in millimetres.

**1. PROPOSED ROOF STRUCTURE:-** The existing rafters are to be re-moved and the existing ceiling joists are to be retained. Roof tiles to match existing in colour and style laid to gauge with 75mm headlaps on 50x25mm tanlised softwood battens secured with wire nails to BS5534. "TYVEK" breathable membrane laid to manufacturer's instructions (150mm laps), laid horizontally over specified rafters. Timber rafters as specified by Structural Engineer secured to timber frame side walls. 100mm Celotex GA4100 insulation set between rafters with min 25mm ventilation gap maintained to underside of breathable membrane and fixed across face of rafters with a further 60mm Celotex PL4000 insulation and finished with 12.5mm plaster board (vapour check type) and skim finish. All to give a U-value of 0.15. All valleys to be lined with code 4 lead work on treated softwood valley boards. Horizontal and vertical straps for lateral support as described above positioned at intervals not exceeding 1.8m. Vertical tiles set to battens and breathable felt on 22mm marine grade ply - for walls which are more than 1000mm from boundary and on 9mm Supalux Promat cement particulate boards (for half hour fire resistance) - for walls which are within 1000mm of boundary, set to framing. 60mm Celotex GA4000 insulation set between studs with further 60mm Celotex PL4000 insulation (with 12.5mm plasterboard - vapour check type, manufactured fixed and skim finish) fixed across face of studs, all to give a U-value of 0.18 or better. All velux windows to have EDN type flashing for flush fit installation. Velux windows are AA rated.

**PARTY WALL LININGS:-** Existing gable party walls to be upgraded with stud partition 100x47mm at 400mm c/c. 60mm Celotex GA4000 insulation set between studs with further 60mm Celotex PL4000 insulation (with 12.5mm plasterboard - vapour check type, manufactured fixed and) fixed across face of studs and over board with 15mm Gyproc SoundBloc skim finish (for sound proofing), all to give a U-value of 0.18 or better.

**2. LATERAL RESTRAINT TO FLOOR AND ROOF:-** All floors and roofs to be anchored by Bat or Catic metal anchors (30 x 5 mild steel). Straps to be secured to timber and walls min. 1000mm long at max. 1200mm c/c (1800m c/c in single storey construction).

**3. NEW ATTIC FLOOR:-** 22mm T&G flooring grade chipboard (V313 grade water resistant to new shower room) to timber floor joists as per Structural Engineer calculations and drawings, supported on new steel beams. Trimmers to floor and for stair opening to be as per Structural Engineer drawings. Floor joists doubled below all new non load bearing stud partitions. Provide for mid span herringbone strutting. Provide for Chickenwire mesh laid over the existing ceiling joist with 100mm Rockwool flexislab (for half hour fire protection to the existing ceiling) set between.

**4. LINTELS & STEELWORK:-** Unless otherwise stated lintels to be Catic combined steel to BS5977 (sizes as recommended by manufacturer). Provide min. 150mm end bearing where bearing is less than 150mm concrete padstones are to be provided (sizes to suit load and detail). All lintel backs and soffits to have min. half hour fire resistance and be insulated to prevent cold bridging where necessary. New main bearer beams to be as per drawings, all beams to be supported via steel bearer plates each end. Half hour fire protection to be provided for steel beams.

**5. DAMP PROOF COURSES:-** Horizontal and vertical DPC's will comply with BS743 (pitch polymer) and be incorporated:

- min. 150mm above ground to all load bearing walls, lapped with floor damp proof membrane.
- Vertically built into jamb's of all external openings.
- Horizontally stepped to all external openings.

**6. DRAINAGE:-** The existing drainage system is assumed to be a single line combi system (to be confirmed on site). There are no alterations to the below ground drainage system. Extend existing svp to terminate at min. 900mm above any opening and finished with wire cage at top. Provide for boss type connectors to deep seal traps for sink and bath wastes. Rodding access provided to attic. Safe operation of all types of hot water systems are required to prevent scalding, so the temperature does not exceed 48 degree celsius through taps or 100 degree celsius where held in storage, (i.e. by use of temperature relief valves). Reasonable provisions must be made by the installations of fittings and fixed appliances that use water efficiently for the prevention of undue consumption of water. New rainwater goods to match existing.

**7. TIMBER PARTITIONS:-** 100x50mm vertical softwood studs at 600mm c/c secured to 100x50mm head and sole plates. Nogging at 600mm intervals. 12.7mm Gyproc plasterboard and skim finish to both sides. Provide 25mm Isowool APR 1200 sound insulation to partition voids at bathrooms and around bedrooms to comply with E2 requirements for sound deading. Floor joists to be doubled up when running parallel with and under timber partitions. Stud to front eaves to be 100x50mm at 400mm c/c to provide support to re-inforced rafters. 100mm Celotex GA4000 insulation set between studs with further 60mm Celotex PL4000 insulation (with 12.5mm plasterboard - vapour check type, manufactured fixed and skim finish) fixed across face of studs, all to give a U-value of 0.18 or better.

**8. FIRE PRECAUTIONS:-** All doors to stairway serving habitable rooms are to be FD20 doors with 25x38mm rebates and provided with either with intumescent strip or 35x25mm doorstops glued and screwed at 200mm c/c (existing to be replaced with new). All new internal doors to have min. undercut of 10mm above the fitted floor finish surface. 18mm fireline board to underside of new staircase to skim finish. Smoke alarms must be provided at each landing level. The fire alarm system to be at least a Grade D2 Category LD3 in accordance with BS 5839-6. Smoke alarms to be mains operated and inter linked and conform to BS EN 14604 whilst heat alarms to be to BS 5446-2. The alarms to have a standby power supply, such as battery back-up. Any glazing to the stairway enclosure to be replaced with fire-resisting (un-insulated) glazing retained by a suitable glazing system and beads compatible with the type of glass. As well as the new floor having thirty minutes fire resistance, any floor forming part of the protected stair enclosure between the loft conversion and final exit should be upgraded to achieve 30 minutes fire resistance.

**9. FRAMES, CASINGS, SKIRTINGS, ARCHITRAVES:-** Internal door linings shall be 100 x 38 with planted stops. Skirting boards shall be 100 x 19mm. chamfered. Architraves shall be 75x19 chamfered. All new internal doors to have min. undercut of 10mm above the fitted floor finish surface. Window frames with safety glazing to all doors, side panels, and all areas extending below 800mm from floor level and to be in accordance with BS 6206 and or BS EN 12600. New or replacement doors and windows to be UPVC and double or triple glazed, argon filled gaps and finished soft low 'E' coating to achieve U-value of 1.40W/m<sup>2</sup>K or window energy rate - Band B or better. New rooflights with kerb/upstands can have a value no worse than 2.2W/m<sup>2</sup>K. New external doors with more than 60% of internal face glazed to have a U value of 1.40W/m<sup>2</sup>K or doorset energy rate - Band C or better, other external doors to have a U value of 1.40W/m<sup>2</sup>K or doorset energy rate - Band B or better. Installed either by Fensa registered installer or compliance via certificate from L.A. Building control (fee Payable). All roof lights/lanterns to be glazed. If polycarbonate or uPVC roof lights/lanterns are to be used, ensure rating is class C-s3,d2 which can be regarded as having a B Roof(t4) classification. B Roof(t4) units can be used within 6m of the boundary. However, they are not to be used within 1500mm of a compartment wall line separating property's. Max. area of windows, doors and roof lights should not exceed the sum of the following:

- 25% of the floor area of the extension and
  - the total area of any windows and doors which no longer exist or are no longer exposed due to the extension.
- When glazing area is more than the sum of a. and b. then SAP calculations must be provided and the new sets of U-values must be followed.

## 10. ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION and PART P BUILDING REGULATIONS ELECTRICAL SAFETY:-

Where electrical work is required to comply with Schedule 1 of the Building regulations it will either:

- Be installed, by electrician who is registered as Part P approved by an authorised body (a completion certificate/certificate of compliance will need to be obtained from their authorised body (NICEIC, ELECSA, NAPIT etc.).
- Any other electrician will require and Electrical Safety Building Notice application.

The proposed electrical installation, earthing and bonding to be installed to current IEE regulations & to comply with Part P requirements of the Building regulations. Any fixed lighting to achieve lighting levels appropriate to the activity in the space and spaces to not be over-illuminated. Each internal light fitting to have lamps with a minimum luminous efficacy of 75 light source lumens per circuit-watt. Internal light fittings to have local controls to allow for the separate control of lighting in each space or zone. Controls may be manual, automatic or a combination of both. Fixed external lighting to have both of the following controls.

- Automatic controls which switch luminaires off in response to daylight.
- If luminous efficacy is 75 light source lumens or less, automatic controls which switch luminaires off after the area lit becomes unoccupied. If luminous efficacy is greater than 75 light source lumens, manual control is acceptable.

DRAWING STATUS

PLANNING

FOR PLANNING AND BUILDING CONTROL APPROVAL ONLY NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

## GENERAL NOTES:

Any dimensions shown are indicative only and are subject to verification on site. The contractor to set out, check, and re-ordinate all dimensions on site during the course of the works and prior to setting out on site. This drawing to be read in conjunction with the specification and any specialist supplier's approved drawings.

Prior to commencement of building works the contractor or homeowner is responsible and should:-

- Ensure that all working drawings and calculations are complete, approved by Building Control or Planning Departments and that the Building Control Department has been notified of the proposed works.
- Verify boundary lines & ground conditions including checking positions and new connections of all gas, electrical, water & other services drainage set within the site prior to the commencement of excavations. Owner is responsible for the accuracy of the information provided. DPL are not responsible for building design methods from proposed works.
- Homeowner is responsible for purchasing additional materials and covering extra engineering design costs for any additional structural design change on site from the start to end of building works requested by Building Control or any other authority.
- Request a copy of the Party Wall Award where works effect party wall or involve excavations within 3 meters of adjoining buildings or building over a public sewer. (Client's responsibility)

## Where works involve demolition to ensure that all elements of the building and adjoining structures are accounted for

and that the proposed works do not affect the structural integrity of the building or adjoining structures. All DPL drawings must be approved before works commence. Builders/homeowner's building without plans being approved by planning control.

- Any discrepancies, either between written and site dimensions or between the drawing and other consultant's or contractor's drawings, shall be referred to the architect or structural engineer. The architect or structural engineer is on site then this will need to be brought to DPL attention straight away before works commence and purchase of materials be made so an definitive design can be rechecked and approved by Building Control prior to pouring.
- Foundation design depth must be approved in writing by Building Control prior to pouring.
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- All work/s which have been designed to be removed on point one to be checked on site by building control inspector/builder for load bearing or non-load bearing status before purchase of steel/s. If non-load bearing then these steel/s may be ordered. No refund or claim can be given against DPL on the design/materials changed for these steel/s.

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