

Meeting Lifetime Homes Standards

Note:

The proposed application seeks permission for temporary change of use to an existing dwelling. There are no proposed changes to the dwelling in terms of layout, access, parking etc. It is a traditional terraced house with an existing layout. It is therefore not possible to meet many of the standards set out below.

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| | Lifetime Home Standard | |
| 1 | Where there is car parking adjacent to the home, it should be capable of enlargement to attain 3300 width | Residents car parking only . Local disabled parking provided by council |
| 2 | The distance from the car parking space to the home should be kept to a minimum and should be level or gently sloping | Residents car parking is immediately outside the house |
| 3 | The Approach to all entrances should be level or gently sloping | Existing terrace house with raised ground floor and lower level both approached by steps. There is not room to form a slope within the boundary of the front garden |
| 4 | All entrance should: a) be illuminated b) have level access over the threshold c) have a covered main entrance | Existing terraced house within a conservation area so covered entrance not feasible. Entrance lit. Threshold as existing within terrace house. Application seeks only temporary change of use. |

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| 5 | <p>a) Communal stairs should provide easy access and</p> <p>b) where homes are reached by a lift, it should be fully wheelchair chair accessible</p> | <p>Communal stair not applicable</p> <p>No lift : not applicable</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | <p>The width of the doorways and hallways should conform to the following:</p> <table><tr><td>Doorway Clear Width</td><td>Corridor passage way</td></tr><tr><td>750mm</td><td>900mm (head-on approach)</td></tr><tr><td>750mm</td><td>1200mm (no head-on approach)</td></tr><tr><td>775mm</td><td>1050mm (no head-on approach)</td></tr><tr><td>900mm</td><td>900mm (no head on approach)</td></tr></table> <p>The front door should be 800mm, there should be 300mm to the side of the leading edge.</p> | Doorway Clear Width | Corridor passage way | 750mm | 900mm (head-on approach) | 750mm | 1200mm (no head-on approach) | 775mm | 1050mm (no head-on approach) | 900mm | 900mm (no head on approach) | <p>Existing terrace house with existing layout. Not possible to comply within existing plan layout.</p> <p>Application seeks temporary change of use within existing layout.</p> |
| Doorway Clear Width | Corridor passage way | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 7 | <p>There should be space for turning a wheel chair in dining areas and living rooms and adequate circulation space for wheelchair users elsewhere.</p> | <p>There is considered to be adequate space to turn a wheelchair and adequate circulation space.</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | <p>The living room should be at entrance level</p> | <p>Living room is at entrance level</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | <p>In houses of two or more storeys, there should be a space on the entrance level that could be used as a convenient bed spare</p> | <p>Lower level is single storey. Upper level proposed maisonette is an existing layout within a terrace house. It is possible however to use a sofa bed within the living room at ground floor level</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 10 | There should be a) a wheelchair accessible entrance level WC, with b) drainage provision enabling a shower to be fitted in the future. | Existing layout of terrace house with application proposing only temporary change of use. WC at entrance level to lower level granny flat. Existing upper maisonette not possible to provide wc at entrance level within existing layout. |
| 11 | Walls in bathrooms and toilets capable of taking adaptations such as handrails | Fully compliant. Adaptations such as these can easily be made at any later date. |
| 12 | The design should incorporate a) provision for a future stairlift b) suitable identified space for a through-the-floor lift from ground to first floor, for example to a bedroom next to a bathroom | Application seeks only temporary change of use. Therefore not applicable |
| 13 | The design should provide for a reasonable route for a potential hoist from a main bedroom to a bathroom | Application seeks only temporary change of use. Therefore not applicable |
| 14 | The bathroom should be designed to incorporate ease of access to the bath, WC and washbasin. | Existing layout with temporary change of use only applied for. |
| 15 | Living room window glazing should begin at 800mm or lower and windows should be easy to open/ operate. | Cills are at 800mm or lower. Existing sash windows |
| 16 | Switches, sockets, ventilation and service controls should be at a height usable by all (i.e. between 450mm and 1200mm) from the floor | Fully Compliant. |